

Final BULLETINS

Russians on Don Advance 12-18 Miles

MOSCOW (AP) — The Russians announced tonight Soviet troops have advanced 12 to 18 miles in the continuing offensive of the middle Don area.

They thus have advanced in eight days of fighting there a total of 75 to 100 miles, a special communique said.

It announced the Russians today killed 8,000 Germans and said the number of prisoners taken today was 16,400, bringing the total since Dec. 16 to 36,600.

Trucks Missing

ENDAKO, B.C. (CP) — Department of Public Works is sending equipment to rescue trucks unreported since they left Silver Creek last Saturday. The trucks carried two days' food supply.

Potato Investigator

OTTAWA (CP) — V. B. Robinson of the Prices Board at Vancouver has been appointed by Ottawa to report on the B.C. potato situation following a threat by lower mainland growers to halt all deliveries.

No Canadians On Torpedoed Ship

CHUNGKING (AP) — There were no Canadians aboard the Japanese prison transport torpedoed last Oct. 1.

A check as to the presence of Canadians was made at the request of the Canadian Press.

(Three British survivors estimated half of the 1,816 British and Australian prisoners aboard the ship went down with it.)

Rangoon Bombed

NEW DELHI (AP) — Four-motored U.S. bombers raided the big Burma port of Rangoon in smashing daylight attacks, leaving airfield hangars smashed and dockyards blazing, a U.S. air force communique said today.

Nazi Mutineers Jailed

LONDON (CP) — Inbel, the Belgian news agency, said tonight two wings of St. Giles prison at Brussels have been filled with German soldiers arrested for insubordination and refusal to go to Russia.

Reduce Tariff

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. signed a trade agreement with Mexico today providing for numerous tariff reductions and facilitating exchange of war commodities.

Chocolate Shortage

Lack of sugar has resulted in a shortage of chocolates and candies in Victoria and Vancouver for Christmas, a survey showed today. Many are sold out and others are "rationing" sales by opening for only an hour or two daily.

Soldiers on Air

TORONTO (CP) — Men from the Canadian army will take part in a Christmas Eve radio show to be broadcast from London tomorrow from 4.30 to 5 p.m., P.T.T., over the CBC network, it was announced today.

National Prayer Day

BROCKVILLE, Ont. (CP) — Rt. Rev. Norman MacLeod, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in a proclamation issued here today called on members of the church to set aside Sunday, Jan. 3, as a national day of prayer.

Gives \$1,000,000

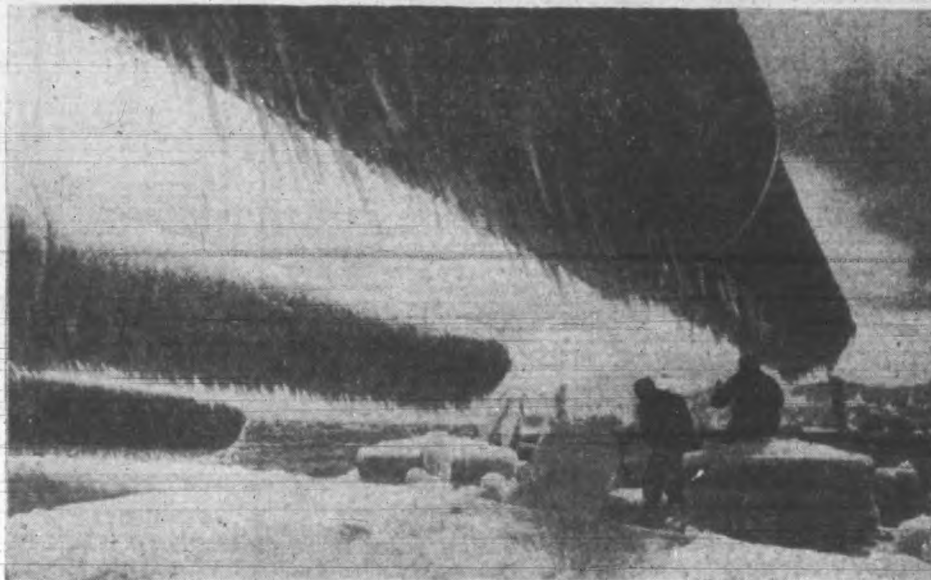
NEW YORK (AP) — Bernard M. Baruch, philanthropist and adviser on U.S. economic matters, today gave \$1,000,000 to 15 relief societies.

C.I.A. Meeting Off

St. John's, Nfld. (CP) — A meeting of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs this evening, arrived too late in Vancouver to catch the morning boat, and no plane accommodation was available. The meeting scheduled for the Union Club at 8 has been called off.

Allies Slash Nazis' Africa Reinforcement Lines

Sub-zero Weather Grips Front As Undaunted Russians Roll Forward and Kill Nazis



It's so cold that Russian gun barrels are whiskered in ice.



Russians chop ice from gun tower of warship before going into action.

Russian Advance Brings Troops Into Ukraine

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's middle Don offensive has thrust to within 132 miles of Rostov, and despite the counterattacks of reinforced Nazi armies has moved into the eastern Ukraine along a straightening front some 200 miles west of Stalingrad, the Russians reported today.

The midday communique added more than 2,300 prisoners to the 20,000 previously reported captures in the past week between the Don and Donets rivers.

The latest gains brought several dozen towns and villages back under the Russian banner, and eight of these were described in battlefront dispatches as of high military value. Some had airfields from which the Nazis had been flying troops and supplies to the Stalingrad area. Others were links in the communications system along the Rostov-Moscow rail line between Millerovo and Voronezh.

Towns Captured In Ukraine

The largest towns were Koleschate, Nikolske, Morozovka, Verkhnje Grachevsky, Popovka, Kamensky, Grekov and Fyodorovka. Some are east of the Rostov-Moscow line, northeast of Millerovo, but others like Nikolske, Koleschate and Morozovka, lie inside the Ukraine.

Kamensky, listed on some maps as Kamenka, is on the north bank of the Yablovaya River between the river Chin and the rail line north of Millerovo.

Dispatches reporting the Russians had pushed to 132 miles of Rostov indicated they were some 12 miles north of the important rail junction of Millerovo. Millerovo is 120 miles north of Rostov.

Altogether, on the middle Don front and the central front west and northwest of Moscow, the Russian offensives were said to have won back more than 900 miles of vital rail lines from the Germans.

Nearly 450 miles of this total was said to be in the Don bend, middle Don and Stalingrad sections.

Nazi Warehouses Taken By Russians

There, despite heavy snow and hampering drifts, the Russians reported advancing at such speed that they captured Nazi winter warehouses. One advanced group messaged back: "We are distributing Dutch chocolate and Rhine wine to our fighters."

Following up the battering attacks of tanks, Russian infantry was said to be straightening the whole middle Don line.

One dispatch said the Russians now held not merely a series of populated places, but formed a long, straight front deep in machine-gun positions, mortars and heavy artillery.



Nazi warplanes immobilized in freezing Russian cold, but Soviet troops and equipment keep going.

Nazi Morale Falls; Goebbels Pep-talks

By EDWIN SHANKE

STOCKHOLM (AP) — With Germany's food rations generally lower than last year and the war news bad, Propaganda Minister Goebbels is reported to have mobilized hundreds of Nazi orators to deliver a country-wide series of "pep talks" to the German public.

Advices from Germany indicate that a program of mass meetings already is under way, with Goebbels and Dr. Robt. Ley, labor leader, setting the pace.

Called Unimportant

Coincidentally the German press has started a wide-scale morale-boosting offensive, hammering home the theme that Axis setbacks in north Africa are unimportant because the war will be decided in Russia.

"No war has yet been fought without setbacks," said one editorial, assuring its readers "the United Nations still are weak for battle on the field where the decision will fall."

Hilfer's newspaper, the Voelkischer Beobachter, said the objective properly was Europe, not Africa, and that after Russian resistance is wiped out "we will soon regain on the southern front what we have had to give up."

The Beobachter also lectured Germans who grumbled about the scarcity of food and clothes,

reminding civilians their sacrifices were small compared with those of the soldier who is called on "to give his blood for the homeland."

Bleak Christmas

Dispatches from Swedish correspondents, however, depicted a growing shortage of goods of all kinds in German stores and indicated that the German people already cast down by mounting casualties on the Russian front—are in for a bleak Christmas.

With the shortage of food growing more pronounced, hoarding was reported on the increase, despite the threat of severe penalties. Press reports said penalties ranging up to three years' imprisonment and fines of 20,000 marks have been imposed recently as a warning against hoarding and illegal slaughtering of food animals.

The sale of electric heaters, on which the Germans have relied for the last two winters to keep warm, has been banned.

Books are rationed one to a person.

Children may have but one toy.

One bright note—for Christmas each child has been granted about one-half kilogram (about a pound) of apples.

Search Mountain Near Chilliwack For Missing Plane

CHILLIWACK (CP) — Nearly 100 men combed the wooded wilderness of nearby Elk Mountain today as the search for 13 persons lost aboard a Vancouver-bound aircraft went through its third day.

H. Hollick-Kenyon, supervisor of operations for the western division of Canadian Pacific Airlines, said he believed the last person to hear the plane was Sapper Tom Cronk, R.C.E., who reported he had observed the Lockheed Lodestar running without lights Sunday evening at an altitude of between 1,000 and 2,000 feet.

Sapper Cronk said the plane then was heading from Cultus Lake toward Chilliwack, a route that would have taken it over the west end of Elk Mountain.

Hollick-Kenyon said searchers were not ready to give up hope for the 10 passengers and crew of three aboard the plane, which disappeared Sunday while en route here from Prince George.

Taking part in the aerial search today were eight R.C.A.F. planes which were scanning an area 100 miles wide by 75 miles deep running from the Cascade Mountains to the coast and from 20 miles south of the U.S. boundary to Mount Garibaldi.

These planes flew three miles apart. Observers equipped with detailed maps were shading in any area they were unable to examine closely so that a further check may be made.

Nazis Eye Balearics

ANKARA (AP) — Usually well-informed foreign sources said today the Germans are bringing heavy pressure on Spain for permission to occupy the Balearic Islands in the western Mediterranean, and would take them by force if necessary.

One high diplomatic source said he had definite information the Germans were planning the occupation of the Balearics as well as the islands.

Corliss P. Walker Dies

WINNIPEG (CP) — Corliss Powers Walker, 89, well known in Canadian theatrical circles, died at his home here today. Born in Poulney, Vermont, he was the builder and owner of the Walker Theatre in Winnipeg.

Allies Gain Foot By Foot In Buna Attack

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Australia (CP) — Allied troops continued to hammer at Japanese forces trapped in the Buna area of New Guinea today, and headquarters reported they were slowly making headway against the enemy fighting desperately in "intricate and thoroughly-prepared positions."

Air units smashed at the entrenched Japanese, and assaulting Allied ground troops chalked up comparatively small gains Tuesday, with Australian and U.S. infantry moving across a creek to come to closer grips with the enemy holding out on the main Buna airfield and at the government station.

1 Day to Christmas

By A. R. F.

One day to Christmas! And this winter, like last winter, miracles are being performed in Soviet Russia. Miracles wrought by courage, suffering and sacrifice.

In besieged Leningrad, more than 50,000 children trudge through the freezing cold to unheated classrooms. For five months in this northern city stays below zero. Coal and electricity are rationed to factories and hospitals. Wooden houses have been taken down for fuel. There has been a shortage of food since August, 1941, when the Germans and Finns made their onslaught on the city.

Just one day to Christmas! One and a half million people have died in Leningrad of hunger and exhaustion. More are doomed to die this winter in besieged Leningrad. The German and Finnish fascists have been battering this city for the past 18 months. They thought they could conquer it in a short time. With 800,000 troops, 6,000 cannon, 4,500 trench mortars, 1,000 planes and 19,000 machine guns, the fascists made their attack on Leningrad.

But Leningrad remains a Russian city. Every able-bodied man, woman and child rushed to its defence. Men took up arms and women and children replaced them in the factories. As in Stalingrad, the people of Leningrad have performed miracles in defending their city. When the enemy cut off all lines of communication by rail, highway and

Cargo Airplanes To Be Built In U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A contract under which Andrew J. Higgins, New Orleans shipbuilder, will build "a large number of cargo-carrying airplanes" for the United States army, was formally announced today by the War Department.

The department said the new planes would be built largely of nonstrategic materials, but the size and the expected performance data were not disclosed.

Dr. A. S. Lamb Dies

VANCOUVER (CP) — Dr. Alexander Scrimgeour Lamb, 65, who launched the first traveling tuberculosis clinic in British Columbia, is dead. Born in Little Shemogue, N.B., Dr. Lamb came to Vancouver 24 years ago.

10 Enemy Ships Hit While Planes Pound Troops

LONDON (CP) — Two Axis warships and eight merchant vessels were reported today as sunk or damaged along the Mediterranean supply routes to the remaining German-Italian strongholds in north Africa.

Power-of-the British and American efforts to reopen the Mediterranean from Gibraltar to Suez was further indicated by an Admiralty announcement that large reinforcements of war materials and supplies had been landed at Malta "without major interference from the enemy."

"During these operations one U-boat was destroyed by his Hellenic (Greek) majesty's ship Queen Olga and H.M.S. Petard (Lieut. Cmdr. N. Thornton, D.S.C., R.N.)," said the communique. Petard is a new destroyer, of which no details are available in reference books. The Queen Olga, also presumably a new craft, is not listed in Jane's Fighting Ships.

Allies Prepare To Close Vise

Allied planes and British submarines and light surface ships co-operated to slash at the arteries of reinforcements for Field Marshal Rommel and Gen. Walter Nehring while British, French and U.S. ground troops made ready for final tightening of the Libyan-Tunisian vise.

Allied aerial superiority was indicated authoritatively in the Tunisian theatre as well as in Libya, where R.A.F. and U.S. planes have ranged the skies for days almost unchallenged by Axis fighters.

A spokesman at Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters in north Africa said Allied war planes recently seized the upper hand in the Tunisian campaign despite such handicaps as muddy airfield runways and a shortage of good advanced fighters. He said the Allied fliers now were able to carry on a more widespread offensive action against German ground troops than the Nazi air force could against the Allies.

Persons familiar with Tunisia said the rainy season might continue to the end of January, interfering with operations both a ground and in the air.

8th Army Reported 180 Miles From Tripoli

Vanguards of the British 8th Army were reported unofficially to be nearing Buerat el Hsun, only 180 miles from Tripoli, in pursuit of the remnants of Rommel's Africa Corps.

The Cairo communique today did not indicate geographical positions, but said British patrols continued to harass the retreating enemy troops and commented that "the work of mine clearance and road repair is continuing satisfactorily."

In Tunisia, Allied detachments felt out Axis deployments in winter showers preparatory to the renewal of the fight for possession of Bizerte, Tunis and other bastions in Axis possession.

Communications from the British Admiralty and British Middle East headquarters in Cairo listed these Axis surface craft as victims of the war of attrition in the Mediterranean:

One Axis supply ship sunk, one believed sunk and two more supply ships and an escorting destroyer torpedoed by submarines. Whether the last three vessels were fatally damaged was not ascertained.

One small enemy supply vessel sunk in the Gulf of Gabes, off the Tunisian coast, by light naval forces.

One enemy merchant vessel set on fire and a small escort ship hit directly off Sicily and two hits scored on enemy vessels in the main basin at Tunis by Allied planes Monday night. The Cairo communique said: "No trace of the enemy's surface fleet could be found after the attack" off Sicily.

Wellington bombers based on battered Malta island made the new smash at Tunis and were declared to have scored several direct hits on two ships in the main basin, causing both to disintegrate in crimson explosions which merged into one great burst.

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Over Half Textiles Go to Services

OTTAWA (CP)—More than 60 per cent of Canada's textile output in 1943 will be required for government orders, but essential civilian supplies will continue to be met, informed sources said today.

Trade circles already have seen the possibility of consumer rationing of clothing in the future if the strain on manufacturing plants and limitation of supplies continues, but Prices Board officials declined all comment on such possible action in the event of an emergency.

Trade reports indicated there was no immediate grave shortage of clothing essentials, and it was expected manpower and other adjustments would be made whenever necessary to ensure that civilian needs would be supplied, at least on a minimum basis.

Should a clothing supply emergency arise, ration coupon books contain two sets of spare coupons which could be used to ensure equitable distribution. But it was certain government authorities hoped that further rationing action would be unnecessary.

Purchases of clothing for Christmas gifts have been heavy, trade reports show. With the progressive simplification of industry and restrictions on styles, other war Christmas probably will see a much more limited selection, officials say.

When plants give off quantities of water through their leaves, they avoid sunburn.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All winners notified. Russian blouse 161, ruby ring 635, earrings 138. British Russian Alliance, 1006 Gov't St. Call B 2687 ***

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Britons Facing Coming of 1943 In High Spirits

LONDON (CP)—The blackout is just as black as those winter nights in the first year of the war. Homes are colder because of pinched coal supplies and food becomes scarcer. But the people of Britain have entered their fourth wartime winter enthusiastically.

For one reason, the news is more encouraging than at any time since the start of the war. Britons for the first time can permit themselves a quick glance up from their war jobs to conjecture about the time remaining before battles are all over and the boys come home.

NOT NEW ANY MORE

Occupation of north Africa was the stimulus everyone needed to face in high spirits another winter's gloom with added discomforts. The novelty of such inconveniences as blackout and ever-growing rationing has worn off long since, but while they have become commonplace they seemed to be telling a bit on nerves.

The Ministry of Information may have noted the first signs of war weariness when it issued in its endless output of films, one presenting a kindly farmer in the role of preacher of good neighborliness. The film reminded some who saw it of Germany's politeness appeals of last winter though the prompt reaction to that thought was if politeness campaigning were necessary in Britain at least it came only a full year after Germany's.

MORE OPTIMISM

Any evidence of frayed nerves has not been universal but confined rather to such incidents as barbed exchanges between bus conductor and passenger, or pedestrians jostling one another accidentally on black streets. The nation whose sense of humor always has been grossly underestimated still is good-humored.

Since the success in north Africa people are more inclined to grab for their newspapers than reach for them half-heartedly or from force of habit as they did only a few weeks ago when papers had little but such glum tidings as Russia's desperate fight and pleas for a second front.

"Second Front" rallies have gone out of style. The people seem to have replaced a frame of mind based on resolve to endure patiently to see what spring would bring with enjoyment of being kept on pins and needles over the prospect of further Allied action possibly sooner.

A great deal of heart-felt concern has been lifted by recent Russian manifestations of satisfaction, and the average man has little more to worry about other than blackout, fuel and food and their multiplication of domestic problems, though they are worry enough.

MANY RETURN

There has been no indication that Hitler will be able to repeat his raids on the blitz scale, although no one has forgotten that possibility. The long absence of raids has brought much of the evacuated population back to London, and the old city is more lively, particularly by day, than a few months ago. However, there seems to be a tendency on the part of Londoners to retire to their homes earlier in the evenings.

Public entertainments are still carried out before thronging audiences, and London's night spots do consistently good business and land office trade on Saturday nights.

Ottawa Discusses B.C. Potato Strike

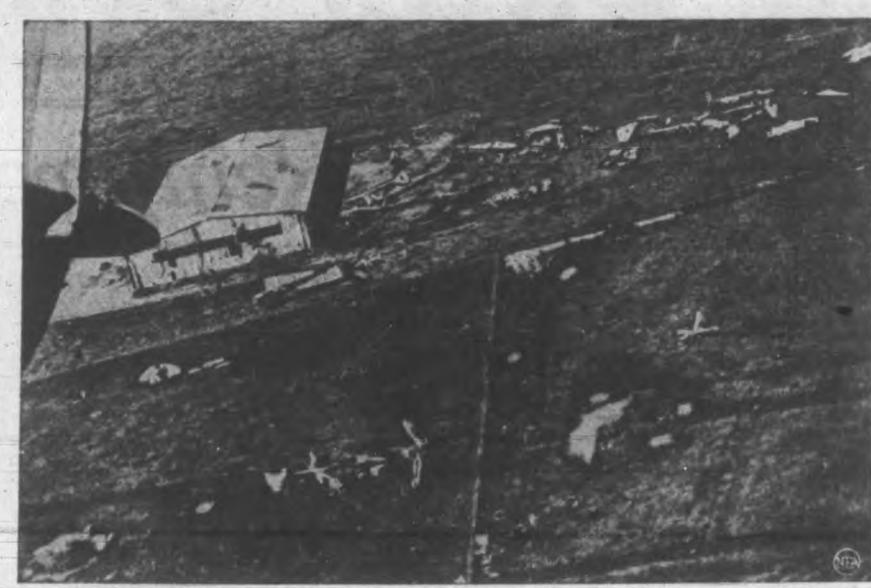
OTTAWA (CP)—Food Administrator Gordon Taggart and Donald Gordon, chairman of the Prices Board, conferred today on a report from Vancouver that 2,000 British Columbia potato growers had decided to halt all supplies by Jan. 1 unless federal authorities agree to a review of the cost price situation.

It was anticipated a statement might be issued tonight.

(For the past five weeks growers on the lower mainland and southern Vancouver Island have withheld supplies to the civilian market following the Prices Board order reducing the price 15 per cent to \$35. They have continued to supply the military and supply depots, which is not affected by Prices Board orders, at the original price of \$48 per ton.)

(In Vancouver Tuesday night, however, some 2,000 lower mainland potato growers decided to halt all supplies, including those to the Department of Munitions and Supply for servicemen, by Jan. 1 unless federal authorities agreed to an immediate review of the price situation.)

Swastika Swatted



Swift thrusts by Allied bombers knocked these Africa Corps planes out of the fight before they had a chance to take to the air and counterattack. Then the British 8th Army advanced so rapidly it had no time to clear littered wreckage from Benina Airfield, near Bengazi.

Dieppe Prisoners Listed By Ottawa

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian (Active) Army's 231st overseas casualty list of the war contains the names of 75 men taken prisoners at Dieppe and nine other casualties.

The list includes:

DIED
ROYAL CANADIAN ORDNANCE CORPS
Pte. C. Murdock Freeland
Boyd, Edmonton.

Previously Reported Missing Now Reported Prisoners of War
CANADIAN ARMORED CORPS
Sgt. Alfred Stanley Wagstaff,
Summerville, B.C.

ROYAL CANADIAN ENGINEERS
Spr. James Maitland, address unknown.

ROYAL CANADIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
L.Spl. Reginald Rex Popham,
Calgary.

QUEBEC REGIMENT
Pte. Murdock McIntyre, High
Prairie, Alta.

MANITOBA REGIMENT
L.Cpl. Herbert Charles Bate,
Winnipeg; Pte. Clifford Dowson,
Melfort, Man.; L.Cpl. Harold
Kinsman, Winnipeg; Pte. Mac-
Klin Stanley McLeod, Carberry,
Man.; Pte. Angus McMillan,
Stornoway, Ross and Cromarty,
Scotland; Sgt. Lent Seneca Mc-
Mullen, Londonderry, N.S.; Pte.
Wallace Malcolm McNabb, Win-
nipeg; Cpl. Hastings George
Meldrum, Winnipeg; Pte. Henry
Ernest Millwater, Sioux Look-
out, Ont.; Pte. James William
Morris, Winnipeg; Pte. Arthur
Mozzock, Brundell, Man.; Pte.
Haig Thomas Schneider, Clande-
boye, Man.; Pte. James Allan
Smith, Winnipeg.

Churchill Pilot Man of Experience

MONTREAL (CP)—Air Marshal Sir Frederick Bowhill, officer commanding the R.A.F. ferry command, Tuesday night drew attention to an answer in the British House of Commons to a question by Robert Perkins on the ability of Capt. Wm. Vanderkloot to pilot Prime Minister Churchill.

Dec. 17, Mr. Perkins was reported to have expressed alarm that an "inexperienced" non-Briton had flown Prime Minister Churchill to Russia, Ambassador Halifax to the United States and Prime Minister Jan Smuts from South Africa.

A Canadian Press dispatch said it was presumed he referred to Wm. Vanderkloot, pilot formerly connected with an airline company in America, captain of the four-motored Liberator bomber which took Mr. Churchill to Russia.

Sir Frederick said the account of the parliamentary sitting had not mentioned the answer given to Mr. Perkins by Capt. Harold H. Balfour, Under-Secretary of State for Air. Capt. Balfour had described Capt. Vanderkloot as a "man of great distinction and experience."

Sir Frederick added on his own behalf that "Capt. Vanderkloot has been with the R.A.F. command for two years, in the course of which he has made no less than 17 crossings of the north Atlantic and also a very large number of special long distance flights such as that with the Prime Minister to Russia."

"He was awarded the O.B.E. in the last birthday honors for outstanding work to do with radio navigation, and the ferry command has the highest opinion of this officer's capabilities."

R.A.F.-R.C.A.F. Moonlight Attacks

Air Raiders Block Nazi Railways

LONDON (CP)—Throughout northern France and the Low Countries many railroads were blocked and vital German military transport facilities were in smoking ruins today in the wake of widespread fighter and light bomber operations by the R.A.F. under Tuesday night's full moon.

An R.C.A.F. communiqué said Canadian-managed Bostons participated in the widespread attacks during which many freight trains were attacked and a number of locomotives damaged.

R.C.A.F. Hampdens and Hudsons were among coastal command aircraft which attacked a convoy off the Netherlands islands, setting fire to two medium-sized supply ships.

"One R.C.A.F. coastal aircraft is missing from these operations," R.C.A.F. headquarters said. Air ministry authorities indicated the intruder sweeps were the largest in weeks.

The air ministry disclosed the raiders included Hurribombers and Whirlwinds as well as Bostons. Attacks were made on railway yards near Ghent and at Saint Lo, Abbeville, Le Preport, Saint Pol and La Chapelle.

Airfields also were assaulted. All planes taking part in these operations over land returned safely.

The crew of one Boston, consisting of a Canadian, a Belgian and a New Zealander, spotted an engine shed with a cluster of locomotives near Ghent.

"I bet we upset the timetable," said the Canadian enthusiastically. "We scored hits all over the shed and our guns registered a whole burst on the locomotives. A mile farther south we spotted more engines and attacked them."

The Belgian pilot on this sortie over his native land was making his 35th intruder flight. It was the 6th for the New Zealander.

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A. J. Dallain Had Active Career
Alphonse John Dallain, 78, of Deep Cove, resident of the city for half a century, formerly chief clerk and accountant in the Marine and Fisheries Department here, and for many years actively identified with first aid work in the city, passed away Tuesday in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Funeral service will be held tomorrow at 2 from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel, Ven. Archdeacon A. E. de L. Nunn officiating. Interment will be in Royal Oak Burial Park.

Probably best known for his invaluable first aid work during and since the last Great War, Mr. Dallain was recognized by the St. John Ambulance Association at Clerkenwell, London, by being made "Esquire" of the Order.

Born at St. Peter's, Jersey, Channel Islands, in 1864, Mr. Dallain, at the age of 20, came out to British Columbia by the sailing ship British Duke, taking five months to make the passage from Southampton via Cape Horn.

Following his arrival here, Mr. Dallain was employed by Turner, Beaton and Co. as pursuer on boats plying between Victoria and New Westminster. He joined the Marine and Fisheries Department under the late Capt. Gaudin, being chief clerk and accountant at his retirement 25 years later.

He was an ardent sportsman in his younger days, being associated with the J.B.A.A. for many years. He assisted in establishing the S.P.C.A. in Victoria, and was a member of the Victoria S.P.C.A. from which he retired but a few months ago owing to ill-health.

He was a well-known member of Christ Church Cathedral, serving as sidesman, church warden and member of the synod over a period of 50 years.

He leaves, besides his widow, a son, A. Ingram Dallain, now serving with the R.C.A.F., and a daughter, Mrs. T. A. Brown, of Dalhousie Street, also one brother, J. A. Dallain, and several nephews and nieces in Jersey and eastern Canada.

Italian Prisoners May Be Put to Work
TORONTO (CP)—Premier Gordon Conant of Ontario said today employment of Italian prisoners of war and residents of the British West Indies on Ontario farms is under consideration by his government.

He added, however, that no decision would be reached until conferences are held with federal authorities, who asked the Ontario government for its views.

The suggestion for West Indies labor came through the British Colonial Office, and applied to residents of Jamaica, Bermuda, the Barbadoes, British Guiana and Trinidad. There was no suggestion as to the number.

Mr. Conant explained that under the Geneva convention governing treatment of prisoners of war, they may be employed on work other than war work, if they are willing and are paid the prevailing wage for soldiers. Prisoners of war have been employed on farm work in Britain.

Unconfirmed Nazi Claim
BERLIN (From German Broadcasts, AP)—The German high command reported today that a British sabotage party was "wiped out" at Bordeaux Dec. 17 "before carrying out its task."

(No report of such an operation, presumably by commandos seeking to destroy German installations near Bordeaux, a big submarine base, has come from British sources.)

Decorations For Canadians In New Year List

OTTAWA (CP)—An extensive Canadian New Year's honors list is expected to be issued by the King, containing decorations in orders of chivalry as well as operational awards for many members of the armed forces.

Adoption by the House of Commons of the report of its special committee on honors and decorations last session makes it possible for the Canadian government to recommend to His Majesty the conferring of orders of chivalry which do not carry titles on Canadians. Previously the government considered itself bound, by the anti-title resolution passed in 1919, not to recommend awards in orders in which the top grade carries a title.

It is not expected there will be any civilian list of Canadian awards this year as after the adoption of the committee report it was not possible to prepare a representative list for submission to the King in time for inclusion in the New Year's honors list.

Von Thoma Captor Killed in Action

LONDON (AP)—Capt. Grant Singer, who learned about reconnaissance as master of the fox hounds in the West of England, was credited posthumously by the War Office today with the capture of the German general, Ritter von Thoma, soon after the British 8th Army's decisive breakthrough from El Alamein, Egypt, into the Libyan desert.

Capt. Singer of the Royal Hussars was killed in action the day after the general had been taken as the result of Singer's daring exploits as a tank-spotter.

His job was to pick out tank targets and radio back their position from his advance scout car. There came the day when Singer sighted two enemy tanks in front of him, but with no British tanks nearby to engage them. A shell from one tank went through his car before he located a British tank commanded by Lieut. S. B. Ferguson.

"When Singer's little car came up to us, he jumped on the back of my tank and said he had a couple of targets for us," Ferguson said. "He pointed out the tanks some distance ahead. Our second shot went home and the crew jumped from one burning tank into a slit trench."

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Salvage To Be Aided By Christmas Dinners
OTTAWA (CP)—Remnants of merry Christmas dinners will be thankfully received by salvage authorities who are seeking to spin out Canada's fat supplies, officials said today.

A campaign to salvage bones and fats got under way this month, and salvage authorities said it was hoped that from Christmas tables rich with turkeys, geese and chicken would come substantial stores of fats to be used in making glycerine for explosives.

Retail meat dealers are serving as the link between housewives saving fats and bones and the war industries which require this salvage material. Housewives are encouraged to take rendered fats to the retailers in wide-mouth tin containers.

"Apart from fats, our main hope is for Christmas refuse of the rubber, metal type," one official said.

"These are the essentials of the salvage campaigns and we have hopes of seeing returns rise after the holiday season."

daughter, Mrs. T. A. Brown, of Dalhousie Street, also one brother, J. A. Dallain, and several nephews and nieces in Jersey and eastern Canada.

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Victoria Officer Rescues Pilot

OTTAWA (CP)—Squad. Ldr. W. R. C. Madden of Victoria, officer commanding the R.C.A.F. ferry command at nearby Rockcliff air station, Tuesday rescued one of his pilots, P.O. Carl Hickerson, who had been forced down on a tiny lake 50 miles from Cobalt, Ont.

Hickerson, a Texan serving with the ferry command at Rockcliff, was forced down on Lake Evelyn, 25 miles from Halleybury and 200 miles south of Kapuskasing, Ont. The rest of the formation in which he was flying a Hurricane arrived at Kapuskasing without him, and he was immediately reported missing.

Squad. Ldr. Madden, acting as navigator, took off from Kapuskasing with P.O. T. E. (Dannie) Daniels, an American pilot serving with the R.C.A.F., after hearing Monday night that Hickerson was missing. Two and a half hours later the search plane sighted a fire burning on Lake Evelyn, near shore.

Hickerson, using one of the landing lights of his Hurricane, signaled Madden and Daniels, and Madden, after ascertaining that Hickerson was unhurt, but that his plane was badly damaged, returned to Kapuskasing after dropping a sleeping bag, emergency rations and axes.

Tuesday morning Madden flew a ski-equipped plane to the lake, but found the weather too thick for a landing, and returned to Kapuskasing after determining that Hickerson was safe.

He returned later and made a safe landing.

"I just went out and picked him up. It was a lot of fun," Madden said in describing the rescue. "He (Hickerson) wasn't excited a bit."

Madden flew Hickerson to Earlton, Ont., 200 miles south of Kapuskasing and 50 miles from Cobalt. He credited Daniels with the success of the exploit.

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Change The Order

NOT A DAY SHOULD BE LOST BY THE
War-time Prices and Trade Board at
Ottawa in amending the order that forbids
the owner of rented property to sell it with-
out giving the tenant 12 months notice; and
even under this mandatory edict the land-
lord must prove beyond peradventure that he
requires the premises for his own occupa-
tion or use.

Nobody will seriously contest the tenant's
right to such protection as the existing
dearth of living accommodation dictates; but
to set a whole year as the time in which the
occupant is permitted to find new living
quarters is, to say the least, fantastic in
itself and wicked discrimination against the
owner, who in many instances has sunk all
his savings in this type of investment. No
consideration is shown him for the loss he
has had to take during periods in which his
property has been vacant. No mortgage pay-
ments or municipal taxation have been re-
mitted; he has been compelled to meet these
charges and expend, perhaps, additional
sums to keep his holdings in good repair. Why
in the name of all that is fair and sensible
the original order of three months notice
was quadrupled is beyond our comprehension.

Under what strain or stress or importun-
ity did the War-time Prices and Trade Board
change its mind in this matter? Can it
prove to the owners of residential property
anywhere in Canada that it received any
substantial demand for the extension of a
tenant's notice from three months to a year,
that the shortage of housing accommodation
throughout the Dominion generally war-
ranted such an arbitrary order, or that the
real estate business is in such an affluent
state that it can afford virtually to shut up
shop until the war is over?

Does the Board not realize that this type
of bureaucratic procedure must dull the in-
centive of the thrifty citizen to own a home
of his own? Under any circumstances,
moreover, the issue of a blanket order of this
kind presupposes that housing conditions and
realty values throughout Canada are of a
standardized pattern. Such, of course, is not
the case and the War-time Prices and Trade
Board should know this is true.

Even were there rhyme or reason in the
12 months notice—which we do not admit—
there could at least have been some elas-
ticity in its operation. No such latitude is
permitted. If the agency of the government
concerned cannot see the light, the petitions
which soon will be reaching the Prime Min-
ister direct ought to result in a substantial
modification of the decree, and quickly, too.

Hirohito's Press

TOKYO ANNOUNCED THE OTHER DAY
that it has established "a mammoth
press association" to get the closest co-opera-
tion of all the newspapers within the co-
prosperity orbit—"to combat the ideological
warfare of the United Nations." This ar-
rangement ought to produce a new field for
Axis journalists with a flair for creative
writing. Premier Tojo should have the time,
of his life issuing orders for really thrilling
accounts of the progress of the war on Ni-
ponese battlefronts. Victories scored in the
Solomons area, in the Aleutians, and on
Guadalcanal have not been played up in the
Japanese press anything like as brilliantly
as they might have been had the collective
brainpower and imagination of all the news-
papermen in the co-prosperity orbit been
called in.

Under the plan now contemplated, how-
ever, it should be possible to announce quite
convincingly to the Japanese people the cap-
ture of the Hawaiian Islands, a large slice
of the Pacific area of British Columbia, to-
gether with the most useful parts of Cali-
fornia. That would soon put the ideological
news of the United Nations to rout and
bring the prestige of Hirohito to a point
from which still more millions from the
Island Empire would go forth to do and
die in the glorious cause of the Oriental
Herrenvolk's victory over effete democracy.

Strange Indeed

OUR GOOD FRIEND AND ABLE CON-
temporary the Vancouver Sun is per-
plexed and troubled in its editorial mind.
Its innate sense of fairness is outraged,
and well enough it might be. It has dis-
covered that "some Liberal politicians and
journalists are saying now that the recent
Conservative Party convention was not
democratic because it chose a leader from
another party." Only the purblind, petty
partisan, the woefully inexperienced politi-
cian, or the most juvenile of journalists
would say such a charge and hope to get
away with it. As the mainland newspaper
correctly argues, the gathering in the prairie
metropolis "was one of the most representa-
tive and most democratic ever held in this
country."

It is our turn, however, to be perplexed.
On the front page of the second section of
our contemporary's issue of December 12—
the day after the convention chose a new
leader for the nation's major opposition
party—appeared a remarkable piece of jour-
nalism, presumably purporting to be a new
kind of political analysis, under the name

of Hal Straight. But let its author speak
for himself; this is an extract from his
strange concept of democracy:

"Under the democratic system, we free
people can vote for him (Bracken) and his
disciples, which, don't you think, is awfully
decent of the Conservative machine. By
massing together in a convention they save
us the trouble of selecting a political leader
in whom we will have faith to pick a cabinet
capable of running our lives to suit us.
They appreciate that the majority of us
are disturbed by sudden changes, are vic-
tims of habit, so they carefully select a
leader—and subsequently his potential sup-
porters in the government—to uphold the
system we have now. With every considera-
tion for us they fight with their foxy fangs
to choose a man who will uphold the system
they represent, sincerely believing, no doubt,
that we are so used to suffering subservien-
cy from the banks, insurance companies, C.P.R.
and all other shingles hanging on St. James
Street, that any change would be a shock
to our 'demancipated' souls. They care-
fully pick and choose for us. All we have
to do then is vote for their five-star selections.
... Bracken may be a fine leader for the
Conservative Party. But I don't recall any-
body asking us voting democrats if we
wanted him, or his trying to prove (outside
of Manitoba) his worth."

If the article in question was intended
as a sports page "gag," a hidden-word com-
petition, one might pass the joke. But if
it is seriously written to warn political
parties that they are undemocratic when
they meet together and select a leader to
lead them, we can understand why the Sun's
editorial right hand is perturbed in Mon-
day's first section by what the columnist's
left hand did on page one of section two
last Saturday week—assuming, of course,
our contemporary includes Mr. Straight's
reference to the Winnipeg convention among
those criticisms seeking to prove the gather-
ing was not democratic. Incidentally, when
did Liberals, or supporters of other political
philosophies, help to select leaders for their
opponents? And when did it become oblig-
atory on anybody to support and vote for
the leader of the Progressive Conservative
Party or any of its members who may ask
for our suffrage under that banner?

Initiative Preserved

OUR CORRESPONDENCE COLUMNS IN
recent months have contained a variety
of views on systems of governments, on
socialism versus capitalism, with disserta-
tions on other "isms" which probably have
left many lay students of economics and
political science more or less dazed. But
the fact which is plain for all to see and
understand in its essential particulars is
that the war already has effected changes—
and will effect more before we are much
older—which few of us thought possible in
the so-called good old days of 1939.

Russia instantly comes to mind in any
consideration of change because there are
still a few in this and other countries who
are impressed with that type of Axis propa-
ganda which paints the "Bolshevik terror"
in lurid colors. For this reason, if for no
other, it is interesting to note a remark
dropped by Dr. F. Cyril James, Principal
of the Toronto Canadian Club the other day.
He said that "enterprise or personal ini-
tiative has not been stifled in Russia";
that "a man making \$100,000 a year in that
country will have more left after he has
paid his taxes than a man making the same
amount in Canada." In other words, the
speaker, in that simple statement, exploded
the theory rigidly nursed by not a few that
all incomes in the Soviet Union had been
reduced to a common level. Principal James
went on to explain:

"There are differentiations in pay among
workers in Soviet factories that Canadian
trade unions would not stand for, and there
are differences among salaries of factory
managers that are greater than in any coun-
try in the world. Of course it is true that
a man cannot inherit \$100,000—or any
other sum—from his father or leave any
money to his son, but initiative is encour-
aged by higher rates of pay, perhaps to a greater
extent than in any other country."

In view of the fact, then, that an indi-
vidual in Russia who does better work than
his neighbor is entitled to better pay, in
what respect does the Soviet Union differ
from Canada in her curtailment of incomes?
The answer is that an individual Russian
can earn more than his fellows if he can
produce more, or if he can manage a gov-
ernment factory better, or if he has other
superior skills. But he cannot get rich by
employing men and selling the goods they
have made for him. The profit from all
toil goes to the state and the state returns
it to the people as a whole in various
services. But, as Dr. James says, "enterprise
or personal initiative has not been stifled
in Russia."

Notes

Hitler's telephoned Christmas greetings
to Mussolini: "Mussolini!" And the same
from Il Duce to the Fuehrer.

Some motorists in Victoria travel more
than 15 miles an hour in the dimout. They
had better watch out; the city police depart-
ment is staffed by men with keen eyes.

While Canadians are having all the de-
sire to eat and drink during Christmastide
the men and women and children of Russia
are enduring untold hardships in order that
their fighting men may make the world safe
for other Christmases.

That reported large assemblage of Axis
shipping intended to reinforce German and
Italian troops in Tunisia will have a hazard-
ous journey: British aircraft and submarines
are excellent hunters in all waters, particu-
larly in the Mediterranean.

Bruce Hutchison

AN ISSUE AT LAST

THE FIRST EFFECT of the Conservative
Party's transformation should be to
make Mr. King a Liberal again. I am not
referring here to social reform and the leftist
drive of all parties, which is another matter.
I am referring to the old-fashioned Liberal
doctrine of the tariff. Mr. King, for the first
time in his life, must start real tariff reform.

He must do it or surrender forever the
pretence that there is any difference between
him and the Conservative Party. By the
time the election comes both the old parties
will be proposing the same social reforms
and outbidding one another in promises of
a better life for the ordinary Canadian—
with the C.C.F. outbidding them both in the
greatest poker game we have ever known.
Mr. King cannot win thus, especially as a
war government is bound to be unpopular by
that time anyway. No, Mr. King must strike
back to first principles and reduce the tariff.

I fancy he is working on it now. Not for
nothing were official notes exchanged be-
tween him and Mr. Roosevelt the other day,
notes that pledged the neighboring countries
to a new freedom of commerce. Back of the
official exchanges is the long, tedious and
detailed work of economic experts. Obvi-
ously a new meshing of the Canadian and
American economies is to be attempted and
it should prove the most important event in
our economic history.

THE WEDGE

UP TO NOW MR. KING was bound to at-
tempt such a project by his own prin-
ciples and by the nation's need. Now he is
bound to attempt it by his own political
need—and that is the way democracy works.

If Mr. King can produce a low-tariff
policy he will drive a wedge into the vitals
of the Conservative Party and the new word
"Progressive" will not be sufficient defence
against it. Here are the plain facts: Mr.
Bracken is a low-tariff Liberal, in the best
classical sense. He has denounced in his
first speech as Conservative leader the whole
theory of trade barriers, which he calls the
cause of war and depression. The Conserva-
tive Party has officially agreed with him
and tacked "Progressive" on its name as a
proof of good faith.

So far, so good. But what happens when
the actual tariff schedules come into Parlia-
ment? What happens if Mr. King re-
duces the tariffs now shielding eastern
Canadian industries? How do Mr. Bracken's
high-tariff supporters from the Ontario
manufacturing cities vote when they are
asked to surrender their old protection? How
do they go home to their constituents
if they accept surrender? And yet how can
Bracken, the sincere low-tariff man from the
free-trade prairie region, vote against any
such low-tariff policy? He cannot without
stultifying himself and without losing the
rural vote of Canada.

THE EASY REPLY

THE SEEDS OF DESTRUCTION may well
have been planted in the Conservative
Party at the very moment when it believed
it was being reborn. Now, of course, the
easy reply is made that our tariff is no
longer an issue, that the Liberals never re-
duce it much anyway, that only a few points
in the tariff schedules separate the two
parties, that our high tariff is here to stay.
This may be true. If so, we can look for-
ward cheerfully to ruin and another war.

But assuredly there will be a fight before
such a policy of ruin and war is accepted.
The tariff is the key issue of the postwar
world, not only here but in every country.
For the tariff is the test of our ability as
human beings to live together, to share the
world's goods, to give all men a chance to
live in peace instead of war.

The tariff is a test of something else, the
test of private enterprise versus totalitar-
ism. If the tariff does not come down,
if goods do not move across international
boundaries, then each nation, self-contained,
must let government regulate all its econ-
omic affairs. Free enterprise must permit
trade or surrender. And by the same token
no totalitarian state, Fascist or Socialist, can
permit freely-moving trade which is bound
to upset its plans of management.

IT CANNOT BE EVADED

THESE ISSUES WE MUST surely face in
Canada, no matter who leads the gov-
ernment and the opposition. These issues
are embedded in the Atlantic Charter, the
policy of the Roosevelt government, in the
hopes of all thinking men. We may fail
again. We may relapse into autarchy in
preparation for another war. But not with-
out a struggle, the deepest we have ever
known. It is into this struggle that Mr.
Bracken will be plunged, and probably
sooner than he expects. It is not important
what happens to him personally or to Mr.
King personally, but as they represent great
forces their struggle is terribly important.
What they do now will affect the lives of
Canadian boys and girls long after these
men are dead.

GEMS OF THOUGHT—GISTS

"Rich gifts wax poor when givers prove
unkind."—Shakespeare.

"Certain occasions, considered either col-
lectively or individually and observed prop-
erly, tend to give the activity of man in-
finite scope; but mere merry-making or heed-
less gift-giving is not that in which human
capacities find the most appropriate and
proper exercise."—Mary Baker Eddy.

"The heart of the giver makes the gift
dear and precious."—Martin Luther.

"Every good gift and every perfect gift
is from above, and cometh down from the
Father of lights, with whom is no variableness,
neither shadow of turning."—The Bible.

"What is called liberality is often merely
the vanity of giving."—La Rochefoucauld.

SIDE GLANCES



"Goodness, no! He wouldn't be interested in an exercise machine—he now looks after the children while I cook!"

Britain's 'New Deal' Nearly 40 Years Old

IN MANY COUNTRIES the Beveridge Report on Social Insurance and Allied Services, which was presented to the British Parliament recently would be considered revolutionary. But its recommendations can hardly be considered so in the United Kingdom.

Britain's long record of social legislation has made her social services already, in most respects, the most advanced in the world. The Beveridge recommendations are therefore characteristically British in that they represent the evolutionary development of a sound and well-established existing structure. The only country with a comparable plan in operation is also a British country—New Zealand.

The proposals retain the contributory principle, inherent in the assumption of the British Social Services that the citizen has obligations as well as rights. But the recommended extensions would increase the rates of benefit, embrace new classes of citizens and ensure a reasonable minimum standard of living for everyone. In contrast to the Nazi system, there would not be, of course, any political conditions.

'FREEDOM FROM WANT'

Britain's historic world leadership in the technique of social engineering already constitutes a basic contribution to the world problem of "freedom from want." The Beveridge Report is a substantial addition to that contribution, likely to influence profoundly postwar social measures not only in the United Kingdom but throughout the world.

Britain was one of the first nations in the modern world to recognize the responsibility of the state in social welfare. The history of British Social Services begins with the Elizabethan Poor Law of more than three centuries ago. But it is the 20th century which constitutes their dynamic epoch. The turning point was the National Health Act of 1911 which converted the services from mere alleviation of want and disease into the prevention of these social evils. The Beveridge proposal is but another milestone in the process in which Britain was a pioneer.

The British "New Deal" is now nearly 40 years old. The first great surge forward between 1900 and the first World War was marked by measures which contained the seeds of the most forward measures now prevailing all over the world.

NOTABLE DATES

Milestones worth recalling are:
1. In 1906 Britain introduced meals in schools, precursor of the famous "Milk-in-Schools" scheme of 1934, which was extended to all schools in 1942. Today the milk scheme serves nearly eight out of every 10 children in England, and the meals scheme one out of every four.

2. 1907—School medical services were first established on a nation-wide basis. Today hundreds of school clinics provide a routine medical inspection three times a year for the ages of 3 and 14, as well as more frequent treatment for delicate children.

3. 1908 saw the beginning of national provision for the aged. At first the scheme covered persons over 70. Today, pensions begin from 60. More than 3,000,000 draw it and 250,000 at present receive supplementary pensions to meet the increased cost of living.

4. 1911 marked the introduction of contributory schemes and the modern conception that social security should be provided, not as

By Galbraith

WAR PRISONERS

From New York Times.

Prime Minister Churchill could have had no pleasure in shackling the German war prisoners. He was once a captive himself, in Pretoria, in the Boer War, and he has told what it was like. Imprisonment was "a melancholy state." You owed your life and your bread to your enemy. You did what he bade you, and tried to bear it patiently. You were out of commission, missing events and chances. The days were long, the hours crept, life was endless boredom. Even in a crowd of your kind there was no companionship. To be fenced in and watched was the most hateful part—so hateful, in fact, that Mr. Churchill climbed the fence and got away, thereby making himself famous.

As Home Secretary in later life he worked to introduce books, study classes, entertainment to men in English prisons, much as the International Y.M.C.A. is doing today in war-prisoner camps in many lands.

THEY KNOW TENNYSON

From Edmonton Journal.

A newspaperman who attended one of Mr. Bracken's meetings out in the province tells how he started to quote the passage in "Locksley Hall" in which Tennyson envisioned some of the things that are happening now. The premier forgot it, however, he was furnished with it from different parts of the hall.

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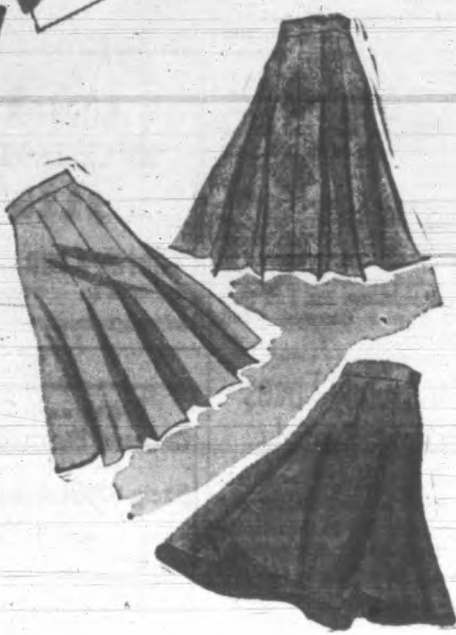
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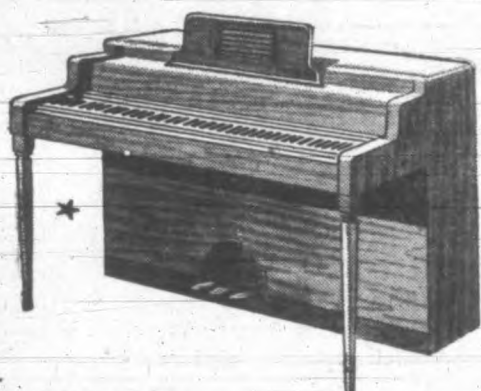
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Playwright Weds

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—Erskine Caldwell, playwright, author and lecturer, and June Johnson, 20-year-old University of Arizona student, were married Monday. After a brief wedding trip they will return to Tucson, where the bride will be graduated from the university in January.

It was the third marriage for the 40-year-old author of "Tobacco Road." He first married Helen Lannigan. They had three children. His second wife was Margaret Bourke-White, photographer and writer.

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R.C.A.F. Girls Busy In New Quarters In Britain

By DENIS DALTROFF
Canadian Press Staff Writer
LONDON—In a lean-looking, modern building in a hushed and peaceful square in London where the R.C.A.F. has its overseas headquarters, members of the R.C.A.F. (women's division) are busy working for their air force "boys."

In this light and roomy building the girls seem to be everywhere from the upstairs offices of the air officer commanding-in-chief, Air Marshal Harold Edwards, to the enquiry office downstairs where strangers get their passes to enter the building.

In the enquiry office I spoke to Norah Botterill of Rocaeville, Sask. She is a trim, rather shy girl with black and almost cropped hair who was trading through a pile of index cards. Her work is answering any enquiries that come along and she laughed as she recalled some of the queries.

"Lots of people," she said, "phone and expect us to trace airmen by their first name. Sometimes, in addition to the first name they can give us their hometown, too. But you can imagine how far you'll get when the best they can tell is that it's a man named Harry from Cypress River."

FROM NELSON
Behind the counter where airmen were queuing for identification cards, ration cards and transportation vouchers was a dark, attractive young girl from Nelson, B.C., LAW, Jill Wiggs.

She found it rather difficult to explain just what her work involved but after a few moments thought she boiled it down to "dealing with identification cards and transportation." By her side she had a brand new writing case which she had just received from home. "I wonder," she said, "whether there is a hint involved in this."

For the 30 girls working at headquarters there are two officers. Section Officers Griffin and Nancy Smith of Calgary. The remaining 10 girls of the 40 who came overseas together are taking an operational course with the Waifs.

LAW, Margaret Long, a small, freckle-faced girl from Arden, Man., is a stenographer in the public relations department. She is quite at home there because before the war she was a stenographer on the magazine Country Guide, published in Winnipeg.

**Children's Ball
To Be Gay Party**
Members of the very young set are eagerly planning colorful costumes to wear to the annual children's ball to be given under the auspices of the Navy League Chapter I.O.O.F., Dec. 28, at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Charles E. Wilson, Major L. Bullock-Webster and Mr. Stewart Clark will judge the costumes during the grand march. The children will be guests at the ball from 7 to 9 and will be served supper. The older guests will arrive at 9 and dance till 1.

The distinguished patrons are His Honor and Mrs. W. C. Woodward, Premier and Mrs. John Hart, Capt. and Mrs. F. G. Hart, Mayor and Mrs. Andrew McGavin, Cmdr. and Mrs. J. M. Grant.

A.Y.P.A. Activities
Victoria and District Local Council, A.Y.P.A., met recently at St. John's, with the president, Norman Williams, in the chair. After prayers, reports were presented by the treasurer, Frances Paterson; by the convener of the A.Y.P.A., monthly competition, Stan Clarke, which showed St. Alban's A.Y.P.A. leading with 69 per cent of its members subscribing; and St. John's next, showing 57.4 per cent. Bill Brice, badminton convener, reported five teams taking part in the league, and that games would commence in January.

Branches were urged to consider the resolution passed at the conference, concerning further religious instruction and to take this resolution up with their respective rectors.

Ralph Freethy told of an effort being made to start an A.Y.P.A. alumni in Victoria, and it was intended to contact former active members of the various branches. Branches were asked to forward names of such former members to Mrs. Freethy. It definitely was not the object to draw older members from branches but to contact members who no longer had A.Y.P.A. connections with branches.

Substitute medicinal products are being used in France, such as tummy-liver oil for vitamin D, rayon for bandages, and derivatives of oleaginous plants for vaseline.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Brough of Calgary, formerly of Victoria, will arrive Thursday to spend the Christmas season in Victoria, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carew Martin, Regent's Place. Mr. Brough was formerly local manager of James Richardson and Sons Ltd., and is now in charge of War Savings for the province of Alberta.



MARY JANE ANDREWS, internationally-known exponent of modern concert dancing and Hawaiian interpretative dancing, who will be the solo dancer in the elaborate floor show at the Snow Ball, which the Solarium Junior League will hold at the Empress Hotel Dec. 29. She will appear first in a group of four ironic fragments, entitled "I Should Worry," done to music by the well-known contemporary Hungarian composer, Bela Bartok. The second number, "Lonesome," will be danced to music by Phil Scott, the modern English composer. The finale will be a Hawaiian chorus number, with Mrs. Andrews as the solo dancer. Mrs. Andrews has composed the lovely music for this, entitled "One Face Only," which will be dedicated to her husband, Joe Andrews, well-known Victoria sportsman, now serving overseas. The lyrics will be sung by Miss Doreen Andrews.

Social and Personal

Premier and Mrs. John Hart will leave tonight for Harrison Hot Springs, where they will spend the holiday season, returning to their home on Fairfield Road at the beginning of the new year. Christmas Eve entertainment at Harrison Hot Springs Hotel includes the decorating of a mammoth tree, dramatization of Charles Dickens' immortal character, "Scrooge," by Lambert Smith, and midnight services in churches, with hot refreshments served to the guests on returning from Agassiz. Guests will be awakened Christmas morning by carol singers.

Mrs. Kenneth Macken is going over to Vancouver to be the guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John MacMillan, for the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Thos. M. Jones, 1029 Beach Drive, have as their guest over the holiday season P.O. Chas. Wiggins, R.A.F., who is here from Kingston, Ont.

Dr. and Mrs. John Rickard and their baby daughter, Frances, have arrived from Berkeley, California, to spend some weeks with Dr. Rickard's parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. A. Rickard, "Little Harbor," Esquimalt.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Wilson of Vancouver, with their little daughter, Patricia, will spend the Christmas season in Victoria, the guests of Mr. Wilson's mother, Mrs. Goulding Wilson, St. Charles Street.

Mrs. Fred Spencer, "Seacrest," Beach Drive, left Tuesday afternoon for Nanaimo to attend the golden wedding anniversary to-day of Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston, old family friends. She will return to her home in Victoria tomorrow.

Mr. John Wade left this afternoon for Vancouver to join her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Taylor, who, with their daughter, Miss Joan Taylor, arrived from the east this morning to spend Christmas at their home, "Kew House," Vancouver.

Miss Betty-Lou Horton, who is attending Stanford University, arrived this morning from San Francisco to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell B. Horton, Uplands. Their elder daughter, Mrs. Hoadley Mitchell, is expected from California early in the new year for a visit.

Mrs. R. H. B. Ker and her son, Master David Ker, who have been resident at Banff for the last year will return to their home on Shasta Place on New Year's Day. Miss Elspeth Ker, who has been attending the Banff School for Girls for the last year, will return to school there after spending the Christmas holidays with her parents.

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Weddings

CLAY-BLAKE

The marriage took place Tuesday of Miss Lorette Maud Blake, daughter of Mr. Frederick Blake of Almonte, Ont., and the late Mrs. Blake, and Mr. John Leitch Clay, only son of Mrs. Clay and the late Rev. W. Leslie Clay, D.D., of Victoria. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Clay left for the mainland and will take up residence in Victoria early in January.

WARD-DICKS

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dicks of 2112 Oregon Avenue announce the marriage of their daughter, Nellie Patricia, to Spr. Charles William Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ward, 2535 Victor Street. The marriage took place in Vancouver, Dec. 21. They will return to Victoria for Christmas.

ROSS-REXIN

A quiet wedding was solemnized by Rev. A. E. Whitehouse in Metropolitan Church, Monday at noon, between Marina, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. Rexin of Maple Creek, Sask., and Leslie Ross, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ross of Northfield, Nanaimo.

The bride wore a blue frock with navy accessories and a corsage bouquet of pink roses and lily of the valley. The only attendant was Miss Dorothy E. Whitehouse, and the groom, Mr. T. R. Carey supported the bride.

After a honeymoon spent on the mainland, Mr. and Mrs. Ross will reside at 217 Mowat Street, New Westminster. The bride donned a beige coat with a wolf collar over her wedding costume, before leaving.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Irwin arrived from Vancouver Tuesday to be the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Ian Douglas, Saanichton, over the Christmas season.

An engagement of much interest on the Pacific Coast announced in the east is that made by Mr. and Mrs. H. Norman Thorn of Ardmore, Pa., of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Tatuall Meager Thorn, to Dr. Alexander Rocke Robertson of Soap Lake, Wash., formerly of Seattle, and grandson of the late Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Boyle of Vancouver. Dr. Robertson is a nephew of Dr. Hermann M. Robertson and Hon. Mr. Justice Harold B. Robertson of Victoria and grandson of the late Hon. Mr. Justice Rocke Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Otty Wollaston, whose marriage took place quietly at St. Stephen's Church, Saanichton, Tuesday, will leave shortly after the holiday season for Chicago, where they will make their home. The bride, the former Elsie Elizabeth Goodman, is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Goodman of Evanston, Ill., and niece of the late Col. E. B. Andros of Victoria. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. A. V. Wollaston of Victoria, and the late Mr. Francis Henry Wollaston. He was educated in Victoria and studied electrical engineering at the University of Washington, and is now with the Commonwealth Edison Co. of Chicago.

Miss Frances Wood, whose marriage will take place this week to Mr. Frank E. Hollins, R.C.A.F., was honored Tuesday evening at a miscellaneous shower given by Miss Marianne Squires, at her home 1409 Camosun Street. The many pretty

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gifts were presented to the bride-to-be in a large basket, and a pleasant evening was enjoyed. Later a buffet supper was served. Other guests included Mesdames R. J. Wood, D. F. Hollins, W. E. Montgomery, R. Squires, T. Money, H. Kirchner, E. W. Scroggs, and the Misses Mary Bannister and Marjorie McConnell.

Miss Margaret Smedley, R.N., who has been on the staff of Clark's Hospital in Vancouver, Wash., returned to Victoria on Tuesday, and is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Bowes, Crescent Road, View Royal.

Legless Child Faces Christmas Bravely

ORANGE, N.J. (AP)—"This is going to be a swell Christmas," said the little girl in the hospital bed. "Look at all the presents I've got." Her parents found it hard to meet her smiling eyes.

The blue-eyed and blonde child, Mary Drury, was on her way home with some ice cream for her ninth birthday party last Friday when she was struck by a railroad train at a crossing. The wheels slashed across her legs above the knees.

Yesterday she sat in her bed at Orange Memorial Hospital and watched the subdued preparations for Christmas. Around her were piled Christmas presents to be opened Friday. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Drury of East Orange, have been kept busy answering the doorbell to admit friends and strangers who, admiring the youngster's courage, have brought a steady stream of presents.

Sister Peggy, six, wanted to know where Mary's legs had gone. "I'm all right," Mary replied

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Social and Personal

Miss Dorothy Van, R.N., left today for Chase, B.C., to spend Christmas with her father, Mr. R. L. Van.

Mrs. J. L. Gates, Metropolis Hotel, left this afternoon on a business trip to Oregon and Washington, and will return to Victoria next Tuesday.

Friends of Mr. H. T. Hardinge, Admirals Road, will regret to learn that he is a patient in the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lovekin, of Long Beach, Vancouver Island, passed through Victoria Tuesday on their way to Bremerton, Wash., to spend Christmas with their daughter.

Pte. Kitty Lake, C.W.A.C., arrived from Vancouver Tuesday to be the guest of her parents, Sir Richard and Lady Lake, Newport Avenue, for her holiday leave.

Captain Mona G. Tomalin, C.W.A.C., Vancouver, arrived this morning from the mainland to join her husband, Mr. H. A. Tomalin, and spend Christmas leave at her home, 1385 Manor Road.

Miss Ray Adamson, who is to be married early in the new year to F.O. John E. Armstrong, R.C.A.F., returned to her home on St. David Street today from Kimberley, where she has been librarian at the high school. F.O. Armstrong, who is the son of Mrs. P. H. Elliott, St. Patrick Street, is expected to arrive from Yorkton, Sask., on Jan. 2.

In honor of Miss Matilda (Tillie) Patterson, who is to be married to Mr. Paget Little this week, a delightfully-arranged tea was held on Sunday afternoon by the bridesmaids, Miss Evelyn Pepper and Miss Marjorie White, at the home of the latter. On her arrival—the bride-to-be was presented with a corsage bouquet of red carnations. The tea table was prettily arranged with Christmas decorations. The invited guests included—Mrs. A. Patterson, Mrs. P. Strong, Mrs. A. Perrins, Mrs. C. G. Pepper, Mrs. A. White, Mrs. A. MacDonald, Mrs. R. Mayell, Mrs. S. Patterson, Mrs. R. McMillan, Mrs. J. Holland and the Misses Tillie Patterson, Eileen Lamb, Margaret Pepper, Vivian Doyle and Andrea MacDonald.



CLIMAX OF HOLLYWOOD wedding festivities for Reginald Gardiner, British actor, and Nadia Petrova, Russian model, came when they cut their wedding cake at reception given by producer Arthur Hornblow Jr.

Last Hour Gift Buying

By EDNA KELLIS
Count them up or down or sideways, you'll find there aren't many hours left for Christmas shopping. But there is still time to think wisely before buying.

In past years much of the post-Christmas business carried on in the shops was that of exchanging gifts which didn't fit into people's needs. This year we have experienced a perfect orgy of Christmas shopping which will be followed by a certain amount of exchanging. A little thought on the part of shoppers would do away with this exchanging, which at best is a pain in the head to tired clerks. At worst it is a weariness to the recipients of gifts who are torn between the fear of giving offence to well-intentioned friends, and the dread of having to wear or see, or use something they don't like.

In the splurge of good will which fills our hearts as Christmas approaches, we so often forget well-known likes and dislikes. And so we buy Mary a green scarf she will loathe because we adore green, and John a tie he wouldn't willingly be seen dead in, but which we think is nice. Margaret, being conscientious, as well as fastidious, shudders as she opens a parcel containing dainty lingerie she doesn't need, remembering the people of the bombed-out areas of Britain who are shivering in the bleak winds.

Mother, who dislikes having breakfast in bed, and probably has to get up to prepare the family breakfast anyway, has difficulty in saying "thank you" enthusiastically as she wonders why her family gives her bed-jackets and such, when she really needs gloves. Father regards the new, shining slippers as an insult to the old slippers which are so comfortable from long usage, but refrains from saying so, because it is the season when peace and good will are supposed to abound. Thoughts of starving war victims haunt him. If there had to be a gift, he wonders, why not something which would help the war effort?

The "exchange system" has helped the situation to a certain extent. One could swap the China vase which made one feel bilious for a cup and saucer which didn't and might come in handy. Gifts that didn't fit could be exchanged for duplicates that did. But now, with diminishing stocks, that may not be so easy. And in any case, why should it be necessary? The difficulty could be avoided by a little thought and planning.

Some people are limiting their giving to members of their immediate families, or to children. The money so saved goes to war charities.

Others have decided that war stamps and war bonds will make good substitutes for gifts small or costly.

Clubwomen's News

Victoria Chapter, Eastern Star, is holding one of its popular dances in the Shrine Auditorium, View Street, Dec. 28. An energetic committee is working to make this dance a success. There will be cards for non-dancers. Particulars can be obtained by phoning G 6340.

W.M.S. of First United Church met Monday afternoon with the president, Mrs. O. A. Butters, presiding. Mrs. A. L. Darrell led the devotional period and gave an inspiring Christmas message. The members joined in the singing of a number of Christmas carols and hymns. Annual reports were heard from the following: Corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. Latham; literature and missionary monthly, Miss Long; community friendship, Mrs. M. L. McLennan; temperance, Mrs. A. Swainson; associate helpers, Mrs. J. H. Schroeder; Christian stewardship, Mrs. H. McLeod; superintendent of primary mission band, Mrs. F. Herbert; social convener, Mrs. J. G. McFarlane; press secretary, Mrs. A. Chisholm. Installation of officers for the ensuing year was conducted by Mrs. Hugh McLeod. A satisfactory financial statement was given by the treasurer, Mrs. G. Riach. A vote of thanks to the press for their courtesy was unanimously adopted.

Lake Hill residents have learned to expect a full evening's entertainment when Mrs. Kathleen Latham presides. A group of the numbers who turned out on Saturday night were not disappointed. A spirited song was led by Paul Michellin, who delighted the audience later with a pianoforte solo. The singing of the Misses E. Cote and Josephine Dobbie, and Mrs. Paul Michellin was appreciated, as also was the clever dancing of Ann Henderson, Dorothy Page and Mildred Cox. The pupils of Wynne Shaw, Spanish Mountaineers, were deserved applause and the children's play

Canadian Girls Want to Enlist In Ferry Units

By ANITA FREEDMAN
TORONTO (CP) — Four Toronto girls would like to convince authorities that Canada should have a women's ferry command like the British Women's Air Transport Auxiliary of the R.A.F. and the Women's Auxiliary Flying Service in the United States.

Right now the only ferry command operating in Canada is that of the R.A.F., with headquarters in Montreal, mainly concerned with transporting bombers across the Atlantic.

The office of the Department of Transport in Toronto estimates there are only 20 to 30 active women pilots in Canada. When Canadian flying was curtailed, the four Toronto girls—Marion Gillies, Margaret Littlewood, Violet Milstead and Marion Orr—were the only four active women instructors in Ontario. Two hundred and fifty flying hours are required for an instructor's license.

All these girls have trained lads who have gone on to R.C.A.F. air observer schools. "Three of them have at least 1,000 flying hours to their credit. They claim that women in the Air Transport Auxiliary of the R.A.F. are flying Spitfires, Hurricanes and other types of aircraft, except the heaviest bombers, freeing male pilots for combat work. They would like to get into the air, release air force personnel here in Canada, by ferrying aircraft from factory to field or acting as staff pilots.

WOMEN CAPABLE
Marion Gillies, 27, has been flying since 1938, and has chalked up 1,656 hours. One of her pupils was Bobby Martin, believed to be the youngest pilot in Canada when he soloed two years ago at the age of 12. She spoke for the group when she said, "Women are perfectly capable of carrying out duties of ferrying planes."

"As for women's division of the air force—why, they do fine

work, but they don't fly and that's what I feel I could do better than anything else," Marion finds her ambitions blocked in another way now that civilian flying has been curtailed. She has made a study of primary navigation and would like to continue it. But women are barred from the only place it is taught now—air force schools.

Violet Milstead, 23-year-old Toronto girl who got her instructor's license at 21 and runs a wool shop when she takes time off from flying, has 1,000 hours to her credit. She adopts a practical attitude toward the position of women pilots in Canada.

"We're told there are enough men pilots in Canada to do the sort of work I can do—ferrying light aircraft," she said. "Actually the fact that girls like myself cannot get the work we want to do does not mean there's an injustice being done. It's just unfortunate that Canada—at the moment anyway—seems to have no need for women pilots."

Marion Orr, at 22 probably Canada's youngest woman instructor, saw her job as civilian flying instructor go up in smoke when the St. Catharines Flying Club burned down Nov. 1. She too would like the chance to prove that Canadian girls can be competent ferry pilots. "From all reports the English girls aren't doing a bad job," she argued.

Starting five years ago, Margaret Littlewood, 26, got her 950 flying hours the hard way. She worked as salesclerk in a department store and put her money into flying lessons.

"I've worked and studied for five years," she said, "and now I find my country can't make use of what I've learned. A women's ferry command would be a wonderful thing."

All four girls echoed Marion Gillies when she said, "Canada may not have a women's ferry command yet—but when it's formed I'll be one of the first to volunteer."

The ambitious girls have canvassed the possibility of enlisting in the women's ferry service of the United States and found that is not possible as they are not American citizens.

All-Navy Wedding In Halifax Today

HALIFAX (CP) — An all-navy wedding was solemnized here today when nursing sister Bonnie Dundee, R.C.N., became the bride of Lieut. Thomas A. C. Staunton, R.C.N.V.R.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Dundee of Winnipeg, came here last January with the first group of navy nurses to be stationed at the R.C.N. hospital. Lieut. Staunton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Staunton of Toronto.

The wedding took place in the chapel of H.M.C.S. King's naval training school. Rev. J. S. Sheran, R.C.N., naval chaplain, officiated.

PRESBYTERIAN Y.P.S.

More than 50 young people gathered at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church to take part in the annual Christmas party of the Y.P.S. The rooms both upstairs and down, were beautifully festooned with Christmas decorations. Margaret Stewart conducted team games, and refreshments were served in candle light from tables attractively set in the Christmas motif. Later the gathering sang Christmas carols. Lieut. Keith Cowan of the navy expressed the thanks of all the boys present for the happy evening.

Miss Marjorie Kennedy, president of the Y.P.S., also addressed the young people. On Sunday evening, during the Fellowship Hour, the Y.P.S. held their annual Christmas vesper. At this impressive service many members of His Majesty's forces were present. The service, which included a candle-lighting ceremony, was conducted by Miss Lily Wilson. Refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Prospect Lake Red Cross met recently at the home of Mrs. Thomson when it was decided to donate \$8 to the Red Cross and \$8 to Bundles for Britain. Card party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Millar, Old West Road, Jan. 6, at 8.

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Christmas Spirit Cheers Hospitals, Homes, Clubs

Christmas will be a bright spot on the calendar for many whose circumstances might not permit such festivity were it not for the effort and goodwill of the committees of hospitals, homes and service clubs. Organizations are providing entertainment and gifts according to the need, and bending every effort to see that not one person in Victoria is overlooked.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

Already Christmas carols have resounded through the halls of St. Joseph's Hospital as the pupils of St. Ann's Academy, dressed as carol-singers, Sunday evening entertained patients with the strains of "Holy Night" and "O Come All Ye Faithful." Early Christmas Day, they will again sing carols in the hospital, where cedar, ivy and holly festoons and decorated trees brighten the austerity of the wards. The nurses' choir will sing at the Midnight Mass celebrated in the chapel, and Christmas gifts will be an added item on the menu of Christmas breakfast.

JUBILEE HOSPITAL

Little patients of the children's ward will thrill to the lighted Christmas tree and individual gifts distributed by the Daughters of Piety at the Jubilee Hospital. For those in the T.B. Pavilion, a special holiday dinner will be served by the Florence Nightingale Chapter of the I.O.D.E. Members of the chapter will be

down early to decorate and seal the envelopes enclosing \$2 each which will be given to every patient. About 45 patients will participate in the day's celebrations.

Nurses are not forgotten at the Jubilee Hospital, for a Christmas dinner will also be served to them, and they will cheer the patients by choral singing.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA SOLARIUM

Santa Claus has already visited the little ones at the Solarium, and on Christmas Eve they will, like other children all over the world, hang up their stockings with fast-beating hearts. No stockings will be empty the following morning—the staff will make sure of that—and a happy day opening gifts and exchanging toys will be spent.

PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME

Excited shrieks will greet Santa Claus when he appears among the children at 2 p.m. Christmas Day at the Protestant Orphans' Home. If they've all been good—and what little girl and boy isn't on best behaviour now?—they will all receive a gift off a gaily decorated tree.

Mrs. Rita McHughes, president of the ladies' committee, will be present with Reginald Hayward, president of the orphanage, at the Christmas dinner.

SAVING ARMY

A busy Christmas is presaged by the activity at the Government

Street offices of the Salvation Army as workers pack many a Christmas parcel for distribution among the less fortunate children of the city who will be given a touch of Christmas cheer at a party at the Orange Hall Wednesday.

Coming between the lull of Christmas and New Years, members of the Salvation Army will entertain the unemployed and old age pensioners at the Y.W.C.A. the following Wednesday.

Dinner at the Red Shield Canteen, 1318 Broad Street, will be given by the Salvation Army and the Women's Auxiliary on Boxing Day at 7:30 p.m.

VERNON VILLA

Each patient of the T.B. ward at Vernon Villa confined to his own room will have a bravely decorated tree to cheer him up this Christmas, the women's auxiliary to the St. Joseph's Hospital announce. Vernon Villa, as the annex is called, will be spruced up with two large trees, from which gifts will be handed to the patients, while St. Anne's pupils sing carols and Christmas hymns.

W.C.T.U. HOME FOR WOMEN

Mrs. A. M. Terry, assisted by Mrs. Oliver Brown, will convene a tea party to be held at the Ida Street W.C.T.U. Home Wednesday. Alderman John Worthington will be present to distribute gifts and members of the board of the W.C.T.U. home will be there also.

A noontime Christmas dinner will be served under the direction of Mrs. F. Innes, matron.

AGED MEN'S HOME

Mayor Andrew McGavin and members of the City Council will be guests at the Christmas dinner to be served at the Aged Men's Home at noon Christmas Day. Alderman F. A. Willis, with his fellow committeemen helping him, will present each member of the home with a small gift.

A Christmas tea will be served at 5:30 for visitors who come in during the afternoon, and later a home gathering will take place in the recreation room. Frank Lavery, a band in himself, is expected to entertain the assembly with music and song.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Christmas hampers have long been on the gift list of this society, this year proving no exception. Gifts of fuel, bedding and other necessities of life are also being presented to the sick and aged, and frequent visits cheer the patients of various hospitals and homes.

COUNCIL OF SOCIAL AGENCIES

The Christmas Bureau of the Social Agencies is a scene of activity today as, under the direction of Mrs. Kenneth Barr, members are busy collecting and distributing gifts of money.

MOUNT ST. MARY

The traditional rites of the lighting of Christmas candles will take place at 8 o'clock in the lower lounge of Mount St. Mary while members of the Glee Club of St. Joseph's Training School sing carols.

Midnight Mass will be performed in the chapel with the Sisters' Choir in attendance.

Santa Claus will appear at 7 p.m. and 150 patients will receive gifts. Christmas dinner will be enjoyed by all.

LORETTO HALL

The Sister of the Holy Angel will be in charge of festivities at Loretto Hall, the resident guest house for women, when carol singing and Midnight Mass will usher in the spirit of Christmas.

CHINESE MISSION

Bright and early Christmas morning children of the Kindergarten Admission School of the Chinese Mission will attend a special service, which will be followed by the unloading of the Christmas tree. Gifts are provided by the Missionary Circle of the Little Flower.

Midnight Mass performed by Rev. Father Matte will be celebrated on Christmas Eve.

ORIENTAL HOME

Two service women will be guests of honor at the dinner gathering of Oriental Home graduates, which will be held Friday under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society. All girl graduates will be welcomed to the celebration, to be held at 1120 Pembroke Street.

AGED WOMEN'S HOME

The pantomime "Cinderella" at which the ladies of the home were invited, started the Christmas season, which will include a dinner on Friday at 1 p.m. when

PETERS' HOUSE

Capt. O'Shea will be senior officer at the Christmas dinner which will be served to 46 members of the C.W.A.C. on Christmas Day at 6 p.m. Many of the personnel have left on leave to spend the holiday with their families.

VICTORIA HOSTESS HOUSE

The president of the Hostess Club, Mrs. Lennox Irving, will

preside at a Christmas dinner Christmas Day when men from air force, army, navy and merchant marine will be invited. Dinner will be served at 1 at the Hostess House, 1052 Fort Street. Mrs. F. W. Hartley will assist.

BALMORAL HOUSE

This service women's leave centre is not yet "ready for action" but all those staying there are invited to attend a tea being held at the Y.W.C.A. on Dec. 27.

IN CITY JAIL

Police Chief J. A. McLellan said today prisoners at the city lockup would receive Christmas dinners of roast turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, potatoes, assorted vegetables and Christmas pudding. Cigars and cigarettes will also be distributed to those in the lockup Christmas Day.

Toronto Flier Missing

LONDON (CP)—Ft. Lt. Don Morrison, baby-faced collegian from Toronto whose air exploits brought him recognition as one of Canada's best pilots, is reported missing after a sweep over northern France.

It was a few weeks ago that Don climbed into his Spitfire as he had many times before and led his flight across the Channel. But this time the 21-year-old ace, who rose from the rank of sergeant pilot to flight lieutenant in less than a year, did not come back.

Mrs. J. Wark, 76, Island Pioneer, Dies in Hospital

Mrs. Josephine Wark, 76, one of the picturesque pioneer characters of Vancouver Island, died Tuesday at Royal Jubilee Hospital.

She and Sproat Lake through the years became synonymous, for she went to that island wilderness in 1912 and operated Klitsa Lodge, on a promontory jutting out into the magnificent lake. There she entertained guests from all over the world, with stories of Indians and beauties of the lake's many arms, bays and inlets. She had traveled by canoe practically the entire 100 miles of the lake's shoreline.

Born in Blaine, Wash., Mrs. Wark came to Victoria as a young woman. She married John Wark, a brother of Miss Charlotte (Lottie) Wark of Victoria. For a time she was manager of Burdett House, at the corner of Vancouver and Burdett, where Mount St. Mary's now stands.

That venture gave her a liking for the hotel business and from there she went to Sooke, where she operated a small hostel for travelers between Victoria and



MRS. JOSEPHINE WARK
... a picture taken last summer.

the west coast. From there she went to Shawnigan Lake and operated the hotel there for a number of years, going from Shawnigan to Sproat Lake, where she purchased the property owned by the late E. P. Davis, K.C. She developed the estate into a charming spot and her rock garden, tapering down to the water's edge, became famous. At first she lived in a houseboat, later building the lodge. She was a splendid shot and the walls of the lodge are hung with her trophies.

Surviving are two nieces, Mrs.

Dental Officer Promoted to Lt.-Col.

Command dental officer at Western Air Command Headquarters of the R.C.A.F. since August of last year, Maj. C. W. Steele has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

Born in London, Ont., Lt.-Col. Steele moved to British Columbia at an early age with his parents who settled in Nelson. He received his elementary education there, entering the Royal College of Dental Surgery in Toronto after graduating from High School.

The outbreak of war in 1914 interrupted Lt.-Col. Steele's dental training but after Armistice he returned to the classroom and completed his dental training, graduating in 1921.

Lt.-Col. Steele first practiced dentistry in Lethbridge, Alta., and later went to Weyburn, Sask., where he practiced for 16 years until the time he went into uniform.

It was on Sept. 4, 1939, that he left Weyburn to serve as pay-

Rex Bryant of Hatzic, B.C., and Mrs. E. Walker in Arizona.

Remains are at Sand's Mortuary, where funeral service will be held Wednesday at 2:30. Rev. Geo. Biddle officiating, followed by cremation at Royal Oak.



LT.-COL. C. W. STEELE

master in the South Saskatchewan Regiment of the Canadian Army. He transferred to the Canadian Dental Corps in November of the same year.

In the last war, Lt.-Col. Steele served with the Second Division Artillery. He saw duty in France and in 1919 returned to Canada.

Lt.-Col. Steele is married and has one son, Clayton. His family resides in Vancouver.

BOXING

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By PETE SALLAWAY

Christmas Messages

Government, civic and religious leaders today extended to the citizens of Victoria hearty Christmas greetings. The messages are as follows:

LIEUT.-GOV. W. C. WOODWARD

In no country in the world has the Christmas spirit of Christmas been more happily observed in the past than in Canada.

The desire to give and thus to make others a little happier by the giving; the spirit of good cheer and neighborliness; a more profound feeling during Christmas of the inner message given to the world by the founder of our religion—these have always marked our observance of the cherished traditions of Christmas.

This year, however, marks the fourth Christmas that has seen us, in common with the rest of the Empire, at war with brutal and ruthless enemies and, whilst we fervently pray and hope that 1943 will see us and our Allies emerge victorious, such a victory cannot be attained unless we are all willing and eager to bear greater and increasingly greater sacrifices.

I think we all realize that the New Year will bring very severe restrictions in our way of living but I know all such restrictions will be accepted cheerfully.

There will be a curtailment of many things that we have come to look upon as necessities but I know we are all determined to accept these sacrifices with the same cheerful fortitude shown by the people of Great Britain during the past three years and, ultimately, we shall be happy and grateful in the knowledge that we had the privilege of contributing in this and other ways to the final defeat of our enemies.

To the people of British Columbia and to those of our men and women in the services overseas I send sincere Christmas Greetings and also the New Year wish that before the end of 1943 complete and unconditional victory will be ours.

BISHOP SEXTON Anglican Diocese of B.C.

We are about to celebrate the birthday of Christ, the supreme revelation of God, and the Light of the World. The events of Christmas are an assurance of God's care for His creatures, and that we are indeed "men of His good will." He came Himself to show what a human life might be, to illustrate the glory of virtue in itself, apart from all tinsel and trappings of princely pomp or regal state. So the Son of God was born of a woman; born into a life like ours; passing through all its stages; knowing all our temptations, and indicating just how we ought to deal with them; dying as we die, and yet triumphantly beating down death; founding an immortal society of men and women in whom His own divine principles should live on for ever as the law of life for all its members. That is how God showed His "good will" to men. And this good will of God, so indisputably manifested, we are to copy, and so play our part in creating a better and a happier world.

Today, however, the only way to establish "peace on earth" is by fighting for it. And at Christmas we remember that we prosecute this struggle not least "to save our children and safeguard their future, to hold for them that way of life laid down by One who suffered little children to come unto Him." But let us keep our Christmas as the symbol of our faith, that charity and brotherhood can never die; that we shall conquer and march forward to a happier world, wherein the Christmas spirit of human kindness shall found the charter of a better age.

In a world at war, let us be at peace among ourselves. Let us make every attempt to heal up sores, close disagreements, forget alienations, and make some effort to bring joy into those dark nooks of life where joy comes only too seldom. And as we think of our men and women away on active service, we will find time for tender remembrance of the sad hearts and homes occasioned by the war. But, above all, let us pay honor to Him Whose birthday we keep, remembering, as Mr. A. J. Cronin says, "that the answer to the riddle of existence lies in the advent of the little Child, Who came in poverty to a stable to show that wealth was nothing, lived in humility to show that power was nothing, died in shame to show that death was nothing—now we know the answer to the light."

To all fellow citizens I send my Best Wishes for a Truly Happy Christmas.

BISHOP CODY, Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria.

Never have the teachings of the Babe of Bethlehem been more necessary to the human family than today. Our enemies would

turn back the clock of time to the era of brutality and slavery that antedated the birth of Christ. Ruthlessly they assail not just our bodies but our very souls, for the centre of their attack upon our Christian civilization is the degradation of the individual. In the totalitarian states man is but a tiny cog in a vast machine, a unit in a military organization, a being devoid of personal rights, existing only for the state and in all things slavishly subservient to the unchallengeable will of a leader.

In this drab conception of man has ever been contradicted, it was contradicted by the Incarnation and Nativity of Jesus Christ. Through the Incarnation, human nature has become united to God in the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. Christ has become our Brother, and so His Father is likewise our Father. We have thus everyone of us become members of the Divine Family, and so long as we are conscious of this dignity can never prostrate ourselves before the golden calf of state supremacy, whether personified by the Fuehrer, the Duce, the Mikado or anyone else.

The peace promised by God to men of good will is not the peace of pacifism nor the peace, at any price, of the coward or the weakling. It is that peace of which Aquinas speaks as "the fruit of charity," a peace which dwells deep down in the soul of man and can be dislodged only by his own perversity. He who possesses this peace is like a fathomless mountain lake whose surface may be lashed by sudden storms but whose depths are always calm. Even the horrors of war cannot destroy this peace when our cause is just, but while we fight for rights dearer to us than life itself, we must love and not hate, for our enemies too are members of the Mystical Body of Christ—or are called to this sublime vocation. There will never be peace in the world till there is peace in our own hearts, and that peace in our hearts is the "fruit of charity" not of hatred.

Rev. F. R. G. Dredge, chairman Vancouver Island Presbytery, United Church.

A guest at that ground of deepened "blood, sweat and tears," we celebrate Christmas this year, and in such a setting the real Christmas joyousness and glory is enhanced. I do not mean the high revelry and wild orgies of our pagan celebrations. These must surely be abandoned; but the real meaning of Christmas should gladden our hearts.

In Christmas we see manifested two great things. First, the wondrous love of God for our mankind. "God so loved the world that he gave his son," Christmas speaks supremely of the love of God. Secondly, it tells of His gracious purpose in manifesting that love. Namely, the redemption of the world. He loved and gave that "we should not perish but have everlasting life." Or as was said at His birth, "He shall save His people from their sins." These two things are basic to Christmas and these should make all men rejoice even now.

What a message Christmas carries! Therefore I extend to all heartiest Christmas greetings and trust your joy shall be deep and blessed.

R. W. MAYHEW, M.P.

As your representative in the House of Commons, as a fellow citizen, and co-worker with you in every endeavor for the promotion of human happiness, peace and prosperity, I wish you one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Hidden away in the hearts of the Canadian people, a heritage of the past, we keep burning a lamp before a shrine, dedicated to the Spirit of Christmas. May we, its keepers, never let it grow dim.

PREMIER JOHN HART

This season of the year never recurs without reminding me of the message the first Christmas brought with it. In view of this, it is extremely difficult to find words to adequately express one's sentiments and hopes when the whole world is in turmoil and nations fight against nations. In view of these circumstances I would like to address my message more specifically to those gallant Canadian men and women who are serving overseas. I would express to them the hope that Christmas will bring a note of encouragement and comfort.

In the message of Christmas I sincerely believe is crystallized all those things for which a troubled people yearns deeply. The message that has stirred the hearts of all peace-loving peoples and called the courageous sons and daughters of Canada to a crusade far beyond their domain. To those far away and to those at home who have felt the impact

of the war through the tragedy and sorrow that the supreme sacrifice inevitably brings, this can hardly be a happy Christmas. However, it can be one which inspires hope and brings solace to the sorrowing when we remember what the advent of the first Christmas has meant and can still mean to the world.

At this time the thoughts of all Canadians are for our men and women who serve so unselfishly in the various services. We are mindful of the sacrifices they have made so far, and the perilous future that confronts them; but we would say "be of good cheer." Our course is right, and right is might. The mightiness of right coupled with the unity of strength that exists among the United Nations ultimately will overthrow those who imperil our lives, our homes, our happiness and our freedom. Until victory is ours we must turn our backs on a traditional Christmas and imbue ourselves with a determination to make it possible for all of us to greet one another in the not too distant future with that time-worn but ever welcome salutation, "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

MAYOR A. McGINN

At this Christmas Season—from which spring all the hopes of our Christian world—our thoughts are with our servicemen and women, who are scattered the world over, fighting for everything we cherish as free people, not the least of which is our faith and belief that Christ holds a glorious promise for all mankind.

It is in this spirit that I extend to all our citizens, and especially to our men and women in uniform, wherever they may be, in our Dominion, in Great Britain, on the battlefronts, or as prisoners of war, my warmest greetings of good cheer for this Christmas.

To the many who are sorrowing for the loss of those near and dear to them, and to whom this Christmas will be touched with sadness, I can only hope that "time, the great healer," will soften their trouble and bring them a measure of consolation.

Geo. H. Gooderham Dies in Toronto

TORONTO (CP)—Ex-Commodore George Horace Gooderham, 74, one of Canada's best known yachtsmen, died Tuesday at his home here.

He was commodore of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, Toronto, from 1906 to 1910 and from 1918 to 1930. At one time he had the distinction of having owned, sailed and raced more different types of yachts than any other yachtsman on Lake Ontario. He was a past vice-president of the North American Yacht Racing Union.

Mr. Gooderham was Conservative member for Toronto South in the Ontario Legislature from 1908 to 1914.

He was a director of the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation and the Canada Permanent Trust Corporation and president of the Dominion of Canada General Insurance Company and the Casualty Company of Canada.

He was president of the board of directors of Ridley College at St. Catharines, Ont.

He is survived by his wife, a son, Henry S. Gooderham, Toronto; three daughters, Mrs. Berkeley Stark, and Mrs. Lyman A. Hogarth, of Toronto, and Mrs. K. S. Mac Lachlan of Montreal.

Making It Hot for Santa



It would be Washington where this department store Santa had to hot foot it to safety when a fire in an adjoining shoe store threatened to spread to the old saint's precinct.

Saanich Considers Draft Deferments

The 1942 Saanich Council, meeting for the last time, Tuesday evening, rescinded a motion of last July and brought in a new resolution whereby all requests of municipal employees in Saanich for draft deferments will be considered by the council.

Last July the council decided not to take any action in the way of deferment for firemen called up. Fire Chief Joseph Law, who attended Tuesday's meeting, said he had not been informed of the council's action, and in the meantime had secured deferments for two of his essential men. The chief said authorities had seen the need for retention of the present fire department, due to its knowledge of the large municipality.

The motion of last July was rescinded, and the new one brought in, on motion of Councillor George Austin, who felt that retention of firemen and policemen in Saanich was essential.

Chief Law's actions in the case of the two firemen he had deferred were endorsed, and he was instructed to seek deferment for a third member who had been called up.

Frank Hobbs, Cordova Bay, was named to swear in the 1943 council at its first meeting early in January. On motion of Councillor J. L. Hobbs, the council authorized the destruction of two shacks on Franco-Canadian property at Cadboro Bay. The sanitary engineer reported the shacks were not fit for human habitation.

A petition from 25 residents of Murray Drive asking that a permanent footpath be installed there was tabled for the incoming council. A letter of thanks from the Victoria Lions Club for a donation by the council for one of the club's Sunday night concerts for servicemen, was received and filed.

A request from the Saanich Goodwill Association for an extra \$50 was tabled for the incoming council. Council authorized the payment of \$7 to poll clerks in place of the hitherto \$3 wage for election day work. The fee for deputy returning officers, \$10, was not changed.

An offer from W. E. Dysart to purchase a lot in Ward 7 for \$40 was accepted. Council authorized the ordering of 150,000 gallons of tar for road surfacing for 1943. This year 106,380 gallons were used.

Prof. Culliton, McGill, To Enter R.C.A.F.

MONTREAL (CP)—Prof. John Culliton, assistant professor of economics at McGill University, was notified by the R.C.A.F. Tuesday that he had been accepted with the rank of pilot officer and was told to report at the Lachine training depot Dec. 29.

Prof. Culliton became the focal point of a campus storm earlier this month when he received his army call-up notice and university authorities said they would not ask for a deferment. The students' society passed a resolution asking the university to intercede for him.

Prof. Culliton said at that time that he was "only too willing to serve" and revealed he had tried to enter the navy and the artillery previously but had been turned down. He is 37.

British Columbia is expected to produce 5,750,000 boxes of apples this year, an increase of 1,400,000 boxes from last year, and about 14,068,000 pounds of peaches.



SABOTEUR?—Heinrich Roedel, 33, who admits he is an ex-Nazi Storm Trooper, calmly puffs a cigarette as he climbs stairs to trial in San Francisco on charges of attempting to sabotage \$500,000 worth of ship fittings at Richmond, Calif., Shipyard No. 2. Roedel, identified by F.B.I. agents as an interned alien who escaped from an immigration station guard last July 23, is accused specifically of attempting to set fire to a warehouse where the fittings were stored.

Says Servicemen Show True Christmas Spirit

Rev. J. L. McLean, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church here, told the Kiwanis Club Tuesday the true spirit of Christmas was being best demonstrated by the members of the forces who were giving their lives so that children yet unborn and their fellow men might have freedom and liberty.

Mr. McLean, who spoke on "Santa Claus in Battle Dress," said the most real things in the world were concepts, such as love and devotion. "I want to suggest to you," he said, "that Santa Claus not only lives but lives with you as Kiwanians. He is here in the club's unselfish generosity and practical help."

He said clubs were known by their fruits. Christianity was demonstrated in the service clubs by their numerous community projects.

Mr. McLean traced the development of the concept of Santa Claus from St. Nicholas, a bishop in Asia Minor in the fourth century, who was noted for his generosity and kindness. The term Santa Claus was a Dutch corruption, he said.

St. Nicholas was believed to have made a tour on a white horse to examine the behaviour of children during the year and to present gifts. In the new world, Santa Claus had been shorn of his episcopal robes and reindeer were substituted for his white horse, he said.

Noted Musician Dies

TORONTO (CP)—Dr. Assil Leps, 75, composer and conductor of symphony orchestras, died Tuesday in a hospital here.

He was born in St. Petersburg, Russia, and conducted symphony orchestras in Philadelphia, Atlantic City and Pittsburgh. He was founder of the Philadelphia Operatic Club.

Homfray Irving Dies

TORONTO (CP)—L. Homfray Irving, 87, first cadet to enter the Royal Military College at Kingston, Ont., and former assistant

archivist at the Ontario Parliament Buildings, died at his home here Tuesday.

An authority on military subjects, he was born at Galt, Ont.,

son of the late Sir Aemilius Irving. Mr. Irving was author of "British Officers of the War of 1812."

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Wallace Robertson, who, according to evidence given by Constable Robert Davidson in police court today, said he was a stranger in the city and did not know the speed limit per hour, was fined \$35 for dangerous driving with the option of serving six days, and was prohibited from driving for two months. Robertson pleaded guilty to the charge. Constable Davidson said he attempted to catch up with Robertson's car shortly after 2 this morning when he saw him speed into Government near the George Road.

The constable said the prowler car he was driving was doing 70 miles per hour, and he was still unable to gain on Robertson. At Figgard Street, Constable Davidson said, Robertson slowed down to 60 miles per hour, and he finally caught up with him at Johnson and Store.

"The accused told me," the constable said, "that he was a stranger in the city and did not know the speed limit."

George A. Hems, an airman, was fined \$25 when he pleaded guilty to dangerous driving on Esquimalt Road on the evening of Dec. 15. Constable William Andrews said Hems was arrested after he had crashed through the barrier gates guarding the E. & N. railway tracks.

For driving over 15 miles per hour in the dimout Lloyd Crowley was fined \$20.

Another appeal for used playing cards for Canadian servicemen overseas has been made by Herbert Greatrex, who has now sent 2,350 packs of cards to service clubs in England for distribution to the troops. The cards may be left with Miss B. Graham in the Times Circulation Department.

TOWN TOPICS

The Provincial Museum of Natural History will be closed on Christmas Day and Boxing Day. It will be open from 1 p.m. till 5 p.m. Sunday.

The Shantymen's prayer luncheon will be held tomorrow from 12 to 1 in the Y.W.C.A. as usual to pray for Vancouver Island and its spiritual needs.

Graham Johnson was nominated at the last meeting of the Victoria Chapter, Architectural Institute of B.C., to serve on the Victoria Building Appeal Board, to succeed the late C. F. Watkins.

George Rennie was fined \$10 and Harry Marshman \$5 for installing plumbing in a building at 615 Esquimalt Road without being the holder of a certificate of efficiency. J. A. Birnie, city plumbing inspector, gave evidence.

For neglecting to pay \$75.71 sales tax for October to the Department of National Revenue, Hans Kirchner was fined \$25 in police court today. Kirchner pleaded guilty, but said he did not have the money at the time payment was due. He paid the tax in court as well as the fine.

The Real Estate Board of Victoria carried its campaign against new federal regulations to the public Tuesday night with a broadcast over CJVI. The order drawing the protest is that which requires a full year's notice to vacate to be given a tenant when a house is sold. Petitions are being opened in all real estate offices and copies will be forwarded to Prime Minister King.

Treat for Children

Over 600 children of Victoria Machinery Depot employees were treated Monday to a special showing of "Iceland," featuring Sonja Henie, at the Capitol Theatre.

The V.M.D. Social and Athletic Club was responsible for the arrangements, and nothing was overlooked to make the occasion a memorable one for the kiddies. Controller Dave Anderson opened the show, W. R. Bird was master of ceremonies and Norman Booth and Roy Simmons dispensed fruit and confections. Mrs. C. J. V. Spratt sent a message wishing all the season's compliments.

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Salaries Adjusted For Civil Servants, Act Overhaul Due

Salary adjustments ranging from \$60 to \$300 a year have been approved for certain cases in the civil service lower-paid bracket, Premier John Hart and Provincial Secretary George S. Pearson announced today.

The move, to be followed by study and revision of higher paid brackets with a view to eliminating existing inequalities, will be a prelude to the overhaul of the entire Civil Service Act, according to the joint statement.

The revision of salaries was approved on the recommendation of a three-man committee of civil servants, whose report covering the question was accepted in toto, Mr. Pearson said. Increases announced today will apply to specific cases in the salary group receiving under \$2,100 a year. Costs of the increases, which become effective Jan. 1, will run from \$75,000 to \$100,000.

After approving the salary adjustment committee's report today, the provincial cabinet empowered it to proceed with study of the civil service as a whole during the coming fiscal year and to present recommendations regarding remodeling of the entire Civil Service Act. In accordance with the committee's report, employment of a competent personnel man was authorized to assist in the job.

"There has been a great deal of dissatisfaction over civil service salaries," Mr. Pearson explained, noting two previous attempts to clear up the issue had been left incomplete.

THREE-MAN BOARD

This year, he said, the committee of three, Norman Baker, civil service commissioner; J. V. Fisher, assistant deputy finance minister; and E. W. Griffith, assistant deputy provincial secretary, were asked to go through the lower bracket with a view to recommending adjustments to the executive council. Their recommendations on the adjustments had been approved, Mr. Pearson said.

The cabinet, Mr. Pearson said, had instructed the committee to continue work on the higher brackets and to suggest revision in the most obvious cases of inequality. With that in view, temporary adjustments will be made pending completion of the survey.

Recent practice, it was stated, has been to refer to the committee all requests for salary increases. That policy would be continued, he said.

OBITUARY

HODGETT—Funeral of Mrs. Margaret Hodgett will be held Thursday, leaving Mayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel at 1:15 for Holy Trinity Church, Patricia Bay, where Rev. C. A. Sutton will conduct service at 2. Interment in the Churchyard.

YOUNG—Rev. N. E. Smith will conduct funeral of Ernest Charles Young Thursday at 2 in the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Interment at Royal Oak.

CORFIELD—William Frederick Corfield died Tuesday at his home, 628 Head Street. A private funeral service will be held from Mayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel. Cremation at Royal Oak.

COONEY—Many friends attended the funeral of Benjamin Cooney Tuesday in Belmont United Church, Rev. H. W. Kerley officiating, assisted by Rev. James Hood. Pallbearers were: G. H. Henderson, F. Edwards, J. Calderhead, E. Watson, W. Webster and R. P. Knott. Interment at Ross Bay. McCall Bros. were in charge.

HART—Rev. James Hood will conduct funeral service of William Hart Thursday at 3:30 from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Interment at Colwood.

YUEN—At Jubilee Hospital on Saturday, the death occurred of Lum Yuen, 57. A native of Canton, China, he had lived in Victoria for two years and Nanaimo for 28 years. His wife and family are in China. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 1 in the Thomson Funeral Home. Interment in the Chinese cemetery.

TOURIGNY—Mrs. Clara Fraser Tourigny, 73, died Tuesday at St. Joseph's Hospital. She was born at Great Village, Nova Scotia, and had lived in Victoria since 1903, at 3275 Maple Street. She leaves five daughters, Mrs. Andrew Rae, Vanderhoof, B.C.; Mrs. A. J. Richards, Miss Flora Tourigny of Burnaby; Sister Mary Victoria Clare, Salt Rapids, Minn.; Sister Mary Stella of St. Ann's Convent, Victoria, and one son, Rev. Father Alexander Tourigny of Spokane. The funeral will be held Thursday morning, leaving Mayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel at 10:15 for St. Andrew's Cathedral for Requiem High Mass at 10:30. Interment at Ross Bay.

GRIFFITHS—Rev. George Biddle conducted funeral of Mrs. Grace Griffiths Tuesday in Sands Mortuary. Pallbearers were: George Robbins, George Bridges, E. H. Carr, H. Court, L. Skelton and A. Barrow. Interment at Colwood.

PLAXTON—Mrs. Hattie Plaxton, 82, widow of Charles Plaxton, died Monday at her home, Holland Avenue, Colquitz. Born in Barrie, Ont., she had lived in Victoria and district for 35 years. She leaves four sons, Mairne and Frank in Victoria, George in Bell-Ingham, and Charles in Vancouver. The funeral will be held Monday at 2 from Mayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel. Interment at Royal Oak.

SHAW—Father J. A. Gaudette conducted the funeral this morning of Mrs. Sarah Madeline Shaw at St. Andrew's Cathedral. Pallbearers were: J. A. Welsh, C. O'Leary, C. Rivers, M. J. Haley, L. C. Shaw and P. Clay. Interment at Royal Oak.

More Than 90 Attend 'Y' Christmas Party

Ninety attended the 17th annual Y.M.C.A. Christmas dinner and entertainment held at the "Y" building Tuesday evening. E. G. Rowbottom, Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce, was chairman, and H. B. Howard, toastmaster. Entertainment was given by the Red Triangle Concert Party.

The Toastmasters Club had 15 servicemen as guests, and the Camera Club was host to four girls from the air force. W. T. Strath, K.C., M.L.A., brought Christmas greetings from the Y.M.C.A. board of directors and hoped that Christmas next year would see victory and peace.

A program of 18 events, including vocal selections by soloists and the concert party, comprised the evening's entertainment.

Seek Uniformity In Liquor Rules

W. F. Kennedy, B.C. liquor commissioner, will go to Ottawa for a conference there with other provincial liquor commissioners with a view to securing uniformity in liquor regulations throughout Canada. Attorney-General B. L. Maitland said today.

The conference is scheduled for Jan. 7. Satisfaction was expressed by Mr. Maitland over the conference, which follows lines he advocated earlier in the year.

A honeybee carries approximately one-third of its weight in nectar.

Plenty of Turkeys But No Surplus

With Christmas only two days off Victoria retailers are coping with the largest Christmas business they have known here and despite shortages, priorities and rationing have found the public sympathetic toward their problems and not too disappointed over the fact they cannot buy all the Christmas foods they once bought.

King of the Christmas table, turkey, will just supply Victoria's needs this Christmas. Most Victoria butchers say they have enough birds to handle all customers but add there will not be any left over when they close for the holiday, Thursday.

Last year there were plenty of gobblers and a sizeable surplus when the Christmas season ended. This year Canada's railways cannot afford the space for unlimited amounts of birds and on top of that the prairie flocks this year were not as large as in 1941.

There will be few Christmas nuts on Victoria tables, Friday. Wholesalers have not received any shipments for several months now and what nuts the retailers had left over from last year were sold many weeks ago.

Only small shipments of tangerine oranges have been received and all disappeared a few days after arrival.

There are plenty of cranberries to go around. This is one article in which retailers and wholesalers have not felt the shortage pinch.

Customers who have no potatoes and cannot get them at their grocers will have to do without. Wholesalers report there is no change in the situation and even if the deadlock between the Wartime Prices and Trade Board and B.C. farmers were broken tomorrow they would not have any potatoes until the new year.

It seems geese are not a favorite Victoria dish and only small sales are reported. There is a scarcity of chickens which are harder to obtain than turkeys. Ham, often served with turkey, is practically unobtainable.

Small-size California oranges are scarce although a carload arrived today. The entire carload will have disappeared by Thursday if the current demand for oranges is maintained.

Steal 2 Cases of Rye From Freight Yard

Evidently dreaming of a wet Christmas, thieves broke open the door of a box car in a Victoria railroad yard early Tuesday morning and disappeared with two cases of rye whisky valued at \$112.80.

Truckers who were hauling the liquor from the car to the liquor warehouse discovered that the whisky was missing.

Masks Sell Slowly

Since gas masks went on sale 10 days ago, only 240 have been distributed to the general public through the A.R.P. office at the City Hall. Most of the students at Victoria public and private schools, however, have received them.

A.R.P. authorities point out so far less than 1 per cent of the adult population of the city has received gas masks. At the present rate it will take four years to distribute the gas masks to the total population.

About 10 gas masks have been purchased by citizens who intend to give them as Christmas presents. Today one person bought eight gas masks to put under the Christmas tree.

About 60 per cent of the respirators issued have been paid for although A.R.P. authorities have not yet given up hope that the masks will be made available free for everybody rather than for those who are not able to afford them.

Extremes of the present system have been those of the wife of an army major who made the declaration she was unable to afford to pay \$1.25 for a gas mask, and an old age pensioner who asked if she could pay 25 cents a month for a respirator.

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yellow cedar siding, painted white;
living-room, 12x18, 5, handsome gran-
ite open fire; kitchen, 11x14, 6, very
good fixtures; two bedrooms and three-
piece bathroom; room for two bedrooms
on second floor. Situated close to
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Land all cleared, good soil, some trees,
chicken house. Bungalow containing
living-room with open fireplace, bright
kitchen, two bedrooms, sunporch, bath-
room, part basement, city water and
electric light. \$2500

Inside three-mile circle—main highway,
with bus passing door.

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Notice to Holders of Direct
and Guaranteed Debentures
of the
CITY OF NORTH
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Notice is hereby given that a Plan for
Refunding the Direct and Guaranteed De-
bentures of the City of North Van-
couver, British Columbia, is being
submitted to the debenture holders for their
approval by the City of North Vancouver
Debenture Holders' Committee.

In order to become effective the Plan
requires that holders of at least 51% of
the City's Direct and Guaranteed De-
bentures shall assent to the Plan.

Copies of a detailed summary of the
Plan may be obtained from any security
dealer, or C. W. VANCE, Reg. Commissioner,
City Hall, City of North Vancouver, B.C.

TIMBER SALE

X 31654

Sealed tenders will be received by the
Minister of Lands at Victoria, B.C., not
later than 11 o'clock in the forenoon on
the 4th day of January, 1943, for the
purchase of Licence X 31654 to cut
2,923,000 feet of Fir, Cedar, White Pine,
Spruce, Hemlock, Balsam, and 5,310
lineal feet of Cedar Poles and Piling on
part of Lot 360—City of North Van-
couver (Point, Jacobs Creek, Renfrew Land
District).

Two (2) years will be allowed for re-
moval of timber.

Further particulars of the Chief Forester,
Victoria, B.C., or District Forester, Van-
couver, B.C.

ESTATE OF ETHEL ADA MARY NEWBURN
Deceased, Sometime Known as Ethel
Newburn or Ethel Newburn

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all
creditors and other persons having any
claims or demands against the estate of
Ethel Ada Mary Newburn, deceased, some-
times known as Ethel Newburn or Ethel
Newburn, late of the City of Victoria, in
the Province of British Columbia, who died
intestate on or about the 9th day of No-
vember, 1942, in the City of Victoria, Pro-
vince aforesaid, administration of whose
estate was granted on the 22nd day of
December, 1942, in the Victoria Registry
of the Supreme Court of British Columbia,
to Rupert Leslie Cox, Official Administra-
tor in and for the County of Victoria, are
hereby required to send by post prepaid
full and true statement of their claims and
demands, verified by Statutory Declara-
tion, to the undersigned, on or before the
23rd day of January, 1943, and all per-
sons who have any assets belonging to or
required to forward particulars of same
to the undersigned, and that the said Ad-
ministrator will, after the last-mentioned
date, proceed to distribute the assets of
the said intestate among the parties en-
titled thereto, having regard only to the
claims and demands of which he shall
then have had notice.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that
pursuant to Section 28 of the "Trustee
Act," the said Administrator will not be
liable for the assets of the said intestate,
or any part thereof so distributed, to any
person or persons of whose claims and
demands he shall not have had notice by
the said 23rd day of January, 1943, and
that he will make final distribution of the
assets at the expiration of one year after
the death of the said deceased.

DATED at Victoria, B.C., this 23rd day
of December, 1942.

R. L. COX,
Official Administrator, County of Vic-
toria, in and for the City of Victoria, in
the Province of British Columbia, and
Administrator for the Estate of Ethel
Ada Mary Newburn, deceased, some-
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Predict Capture
Of Tripoli
With Little Delay

By DON WHITEHEAD

ZAUTA EN NOFILIA, Tripoli-
tania (Delayed, AP)—Thirty
years of Italian sovereignty in
Tripolitania appear slowly but in-
exorably drawing to a close.

That is the vivid picture one
gets watching the measured, re-
lentless movement of the British
8th Army on the heels of Field
Marshal Rommel's armored
columns retreating toward Tripoli.

This offensive is not breath-
taking in swiftness, although it
has moved approximately 1,100
miles by road across the desert
in 57 days. It is ponderous and
plodding in massive weight of
men and arms. But it gives the
feeling that its forces this time
cannot be stopped.

Doughty, confident Gen. Sir
Bernard Montgomery is not
stretching his army thin by rac-
ing westward. He is drawing up
its full weight behind the armored
columns keeping contact with the
enemy a few miles from where
this is being written.

When the time comes to strike,
he can strike in force.

ROMMEL SHIES OFF

Rommel obviously does not
want to pit his battered forces
against British power at this time.

He did not risk a stand at the
El Agheila line, and military men
to whom I have talked doubt
there is a stronger position on
the north African coast.

There is a possibility, judging
from recent developments, that
Tripoli may fall without more
than a heavy delaying action at
one of the wadis (glitches) be-
tween Sirte and Misurata, while
Rommel pulls his main forces into
Tunisia.

If the British offensive con-
tinues, the Axis may have a
Dunkergue of its own before
many more weeks.

There has been no real scrap
since El Alamein.

The 8th Army almost accom-
plished a brilliant coup last week
when New Zealand columns
swung south of the El Agheila
line and closed in on a German
rearguard at Wadi Matratin,
west of El Agheila.

It now has been disclosed that
they captured about 400 prison-
ers and 25 guns and knocked out
15 tanks in running skirmishes—
but the bulk of the Germans fled
south through the wadis and
escaped over terrain with which
they were familiar.

Rommel has kept his main
force well ahead of the British
army, leaving small rearguard
detachments and heavy mine
fields. And there is no indication
he expected to come back again
over this road of retreat.

His desert landing grounds
have been heavily mined. Several
fighter airdromes were found
piled up by the Germans to
make them unusable.

The Germans planted 600 mines
at Marble Arch landing ground
west of El Agheila, and wired
fuel barrels together so they
would explode if unsuspecting Al-
lied pilots landed there. Royal
Engineers had the field in use in
less than 24 hours.

Allied air forces have moved up
at surprising speed behind the
Germans.

AIR TRANSPORT

Among the unsung heroes are
the transport services. Their
planes can be seen thundering
across the desert a few feet above
motor convoys on the road. Daily
the pilots shuttle the planes be-
tween supply bases far to the rear
and the advanced landing fields.

They have brought up jeeps,
tractors, bulldozers, gasoline,
food and water.

The supply problem is great,
but the troops I have seen have
had plenty to eat—barraging lux-
uries—and plenty of the right
stuff to fight with. The number
of trucks, vehicles and planes in
use indicates a plentiful supply
of fuel.

The British troops are disap-
pointed they could not make Tri-
poli by Christmas—but they are
confident they will be there
soon.

Nanaimo to Chlorinate

NANAIMO—City council on
Monday night authorized the
signing of an agreement with the
federal government for the chlori-
nation of city water following
approval by the waterworks
committee.

The council also voted to re-
quest the commission of B.C.
police to continue policing of the
municipality for the next six
months under existing contract
terms so as to enable the coun-
cil to determine its mill
rate before making final decision.

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22 War Workers Die
As Huge Boulders
Smash Bus on Road

ALBUQUERQUE, Pa. (AP)—
Twenty-two persons were killed
Tuesday night when two bould-
ers, one weighing more than
100 tons, crashed down on a big
Ohio River motor coach bus
crowded with home-going war
workers. Only three passengers
escaped, two of them with critical
injuries.

The tragedy occurred a mil-
east of here as the bus threaded
its way around a treacherous "S"
curve on a narrow, slippery road.

The boulders toppled down
from a 100-foot-high perch with
little warning, although the
driver of a bus behind said
Dymptro (Dan) Karapan, 27,
driver of the ill-fated machine,
swerved sharply to the left as if
trying to escape the falling,
death-dealing mass.

This sverve saved four persons
in the rear of the bus, although
one of these died later in a hos-
pital.

"There was no warning," said
Joseph M. Manko, 30, the lone
passenger able to go home after
the accident. "Just a crash and
not so loud, either. I didn't hear
a cry, or a moan."

The bus, smashed in two, rested
against a steel guard-rail, which
prevented its rolling down a 35-
foot embankment to railway
tracks. One passenger, Ben Wat-
kins, was hurled to his death on
the tracks.

Butter Buying Rules
Set for Caterers

OTTAWA (CP)—The Prices
Board has announced that until
after Feb. 28, when quotas will
be established, public caterers,
industrial and institutional users
of butter may purchase it by
filling in only the first portion of
form RB-17.

This form is the one used for
tea and coffee, and until quotas
are set it would be impossible for
the supplier to sign the declara-
tion making up the second part
of the form, which refers to
quotas.

Public caterers and institutions
which have not registered with
the board as users of butter by
Feb. 15, 1943, may not buy it after
that date until they do register.

Hedy Quits Glamour
In New Screen Role

In departure from any pre-
vious characterization of her
screen career, Hedy Lamarr plays
Dolores "Sweetie" Ramirez, the
fiery, tempestuous girl of John
Steinbeck's "Tortilla Flat." The
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture,
starring her with Spencer Tracy
and John Garfield, is showing at
the York Theatre tomorrow.

No sleepy passano is Dolores,
but a determined, energetic
young woman who believes that
she can make the good-looking,
lazy, simple Danny, played by
Garfield, into an industrious
citizen. Tracy, as Plon, warns
Danny that girls are no good,
saying, "They always want to
get married." But despite his
warm friendship for Plon, the
charms of Dolores perform the
incredible miracle, and Danny
gets a job.

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JACK OAKIE SAMMY KAYE
AND HIS ORCHESTRA
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March of Time—
"MR. AND MRS. AMERICA"
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"MONKEY DOODLE DANDY"
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Cartoon in Color—NEWS

AN IDEAL CHRISTMAS SUGGESTION!
GIVE THEATRE TICKETS
THIS CHRISTMAS

Capitol

Comics Abandon
Famous Routine

Fans of Bud Abbott and Lou
Costello will be interested to know
that the famous comedy pair have
abandoned their celebrated base-
ball routine—the zany dialogue
that helped as much as anything
to catapult them to fame.

The lads presented it in bur-
lesque and vaudeville, made
phonograph records of it—and
used it on the screen and radio.
It did yeoman service. But
enough was enough.

So in their latest Universal
comedy, "Who Done It?" coming
to the Oak Bay and Plaza The-
atres tomorrow, Bud and Lou
win a radio. They switch it on
and what should come out of it
but the voices of Abbott and Cos-
tello doing the baseball routine.

"Turn it off!" screams Costello.
"Anything but that!"

"You said it," says Abbott with
a sigh, and drops the radio on
the floor.

Ginger's Jewelry
Worth \$200,000

Dorothy Dix:

Casualties of War Are In Sick-Room as Well as On Battlefield

When we have daily evidence of the heroism with which our soldiers are fighting on land and sea, it doesn't seem necessary to worry any more about building up their morale. So, perhaps, we can take a little time off to try to strengthen the morale of the home front. For that is what needs pepping up and having a little intesimal fortitude infused into it. It isn't the boys in Great Britain, or the Arctic Circle, or down in Egypt, who are howling and complaining of the terrible sacrifices they are being called upon to make, and salting down everybody who will listen to them with their tears.

It is the weeping mothers, who tell you how they have gone into a decline of spirit over their darling baby boys being so far away and exposed to so much danger. It is the chain-smitters who wouldn't know a Tommy gun from a battle-axe, who discourse by the hour the mistakes the army and navy are making and the general mismanagement of the war by the higher-ups in Ottawa. It is all the balance of us who grouse over the rationing, and not being able to have all the sugar and coffee we want, and having to put up with poor service in the shops, and so on and so on.

Go where you will the atmosphere is as blue as indigo. Everyone is holding a lodge of sorrow, and the conversation makes the lamentations of Jeremiah seem almost like a comic strip. And the queer part of it all is that we do not realize the harm we are doing. For depression is just as catching as the measles, and when it becomes epidemic, as it is now, it is just as fatal as any other plague. It slays its thousands.

KILLED BY WAR TALK

You can't pick up your evening paper without reading of someone you know who has dropped dead in his office or on the street. Every day you hear of some delicate woman friend or old person, who normally might have lived for years; who has passed on, and you know that, no matter what the death certificate says, they have been killed by war talk. Their frail bodies couldn't stand the extra burden that their mental sufferings put upon them. The casualties of war are in the sickroom, as well as on the battlefield.

There is hardly a business that has not been hit in one way or another by the war. It has robbed thousands of men of the labor of a lifetime. They have seen their factories closed by government order, their occupations taken away from them. Their losses drive many of these men to suicide. It breaks the spirit of others so that they never have the courage to make a new beginning. Others wrest victory out of defeat. But whatever happens to men like these depends upon whether they are going to meet cheer, or despair, in their own homes.

If their wives are defeatists who see no ray of light on the horizon and who pour over them all the fears their morbid imaginations have conjured up of what may be happening to their sons, it breaks down the last particle of resistance the men have. They, too, succumb to gloom and hopelessness.

But if they go to homes where the lights are shining and to wives

who have put on gay dresses and nailed on their faces the smiles that won't come off, and who talk of pleasant, innocuous neighborhood happenings and who, perhaps, have picked up a funny story, it bucks them up and gives them the courage to carry on.

CHEERFULNESS A DUTY

After all, women are the world's great propagandists. They sell their husbands their point of view far more often than their husbands know themselves, and that is what makes it so important that women should try to build up the home morale. It is in their keeping.

Of course, women will say that they don't feel gay—or like being lively companions when their hearts are torn to shreds with anxiety over the dangers to which those whom they love better than life itself are being exposed. But this is a time when they should assume a virtue, even if they have it not. It is a time when cheerfulness becomes a duty. It is a time when they should show their courage by fighting their fears, just as their men are showing theirs by fighting their foes on the battlefield. It is a time when depressing talk is giving aid to the enemy and we should bite our tongues off rather than indulge in it.

Keeping up the home morale is a woman's job. It isn't an easy one. It is a hard one. It is always easier to slump than it is to stand up straight and take blows on the chin. It is easier to howl and complain than it is to lift your voice in a merry roundelay, especially when your heart is as heavy as lead. Only one builds up the people about you and the other one tears them down. So choose the better part. Do your weeping in private. Keep your fears to yourself, instead of passing them on. Buck up everyone with whom you come in contact, instead of giving them an added load of woe. Just remember that it is as much your patriotic duty to be cheerful as it is to knit sweaters. And a lot more important.

A.R.P. Party

Ganges—A Christmas party of A.R.P. wardens and workers was held in the recreation room of the Consolidated School. A program of games and old-time dancing was enjoyed. The Christmas tree was decorated by Mesdames Harold Day, G. Lowe, A. Elliott and M. Molynaux. H. Trafford acted as Santa. A pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation to Mrs. E. H. Blythe, instructor, of a handsomely bound leather address book, the gift of the recent graduates of the home nursing class. Community carol singing, in which Archdeacon G. H. Holmes, F. O. Stacey and V. Sholes were the soloists, was followed by the serving of refreshments, under the condescension of Mrs. J. Manson.

Held Prisoner By Japs

VANCOUVER (CP)—Capt. F. W. Bradshaw, formerly well known in Vancouver little theatre activities, is believed to be a prisoner of war in Japan, says information just received by friends here. Previously he had been reported missing in Malaya. Capt. Bradshaw interrupted a stage and movie career in England to join the 148th Regimental Royal Artillery in 1939.

Uncle Ray

Colonies of Tiny Plants Make Patches On Rocks

No harm comes to certain plants when the weather grows cold. They live through bitter winds, the same as through hot summer weather. They may be covered with snow and ice, but their life still goes on very well. Those words might be written about evergreen trees, which keep their needle-like leaves all through the year, but today I am thinking of plants which are far smaller than any tree. Some of them are so small that a dozen would not equal the size of one pine needle.

The plants of which I speak are known as "lichens," pronounced "lye-kens." They grow on rocks, on the stumps and



trunks of trees, and on bare, waste ground. They have no roots, but cling to whatever they are growing on.

About 6,000 kinds of lichens are known. Some kinds are so small that several hundred of them grow on a space the size of a half dollar.

Lichens grow without any soil about them. They take moisture from the air, and get along well without roots.

The smallest lichens are mere specks and would seldom be noticed if they did not grow in colonies. As it is, hundreds of them grow together and make patches on rocks and elsewhere.

Some of the patches are yellow or orange. Others are cream-colored, brown or reddish. Still others are grey, white or black.

Lichens grow on mountain peaks, far above the level where trees are to be found. They grow in the frigid and temperate zones.

Lichens are long-lived plants, and may live to be 50 years old before they throw off the first spores from which new plants will come. It is believed that some lichens live more than 200 years.

An interesting thing about lichens is the fact that they are "double plants." Two kinds of plants come together—fungi and algae—and combine into lichens. The fungi take in water and salts from rain and moist air. On their part, the algae use sunlight (when there is any) to produce starchy food which is helpful to the fungi as well as to themselves. Thus two kinds of plants unite so they look like a single plant, and both parts of the lichen help the united plant.

(For nature section of your scrapbook.)

The U.S. has imported 15,000,000 bags of coffee from the other Americas this year, as compared with 16,698,000 bags last year.

By William Ferguson

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

IN AFRICA, SOME TRIBES IN ETHIOPIA LIKE THEIR STEAKS RAW... AND THEY CUT THEM FROM LIVING COWS.

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20 POUND FISH SWIMMING IN SALT WATER IS ONLY LIFTING A WEIGHT OF ONE POUND.

HOUSE COATS ARE WORN ON THE OUTSIDE ON THE INSIDE.

Says FRED GLENN, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

12-25

OUR BOARDING HOUSE, with Major Hoople



OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



Your Manners

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. Is it all right for women to smoke in a football stadium?
 2. Should a woman wear sports clothes if she expects to attend a football game?
 3. Are the clothes one wears to a game suitable for any sort of get-together held after the game at a sorority or fraternity house?
 4. Should a woman going to a football game dress warmly enough so that she does not complain all during the game about how cold she is?
 5. If two couples are at a game together and they all get coffee or peanuts, should one of the men pay for all four orders?
- What would you do if—
You like to ice skate, but feel you don't skate often enough to spend money for skates—
(a) Count on borrowing skates whenever you need them?
(b) Get your own skates, or don't try to go skating?

Answers

1. Yes.
 2. Yes.
 3. Yes.
 4. Yes.
 5. Yes.
- It is better than for each man to pay for what he and his date eat. The men can settle up afterwards, if both do not get a chance to pay for something.
- Better "What Would You Do" solution—(b). It is not a good idea to make a habit of borrowing.

Slovakia Must Pay For Jew Persecutions

LONDON (CP)—Germany handed a bill amounting to more than \$20,000,000 to Slovakia for "riding the country of Jews," reports reaching the Free Czechoslovak government here said.

The Slovak government was said to have authorized the minister of finance to pay it. Slovak newspapers expressed hope the amount could be met through confiscation and sale of Jewish property.

Czech government circles said the bill included expenses for deporting some 65,000 Jews and settling them in eastern Poland.

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Bringing Up Father



Boots and Her Buddies



Wash Tubs



Mr. and Mrs.



Alley Oop



Freckles and His Friends



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Send 2,200 Parcels To Allied Seamen

MONTREAL—Allied Post's request for 100 woollen articles for the seamen of Greek, Fighting French, Norwegian, Polish and other foreign ships resulted, within a few days, in more than 200 articles being received. Committee of the Allied Post, therefore, was able to send 2,200 parcels—an increase of 500 more than last year and 200 more than they had hoped. This last consignment brings the year's total to 9,733 parcels.

This year the Christmas parcels contained a special gift suited to the nationality of the recipient. Each Belgian received a little figure of St. Nicholas made in gingerbread. Norwegian, at the suggestion of the wife of the Norwegian Minister to Canada, were sent a piece of goat's milk cheese, the Poles received "Holy Bread." Cheese also went to the Fighting French and both Greeks and Yugoslavs received fruit.

"These men are almost all from countries occupied by the Nazis, cut off from their homes and without news of their families," said president Elsa May. "To give the men the feeling that there are kindly in-

dividuals behind each parcel, the Allied Post selects a name at random from the list of contributors and puts it into the parcel—the rest is left to the individual. How deeply the gifts are appreciated can be gathered from the letters that pour back to the Allied Post.

Allied Post is always grateful for contributions in cash or in kind comforts such as cigarettes, chocolate, soap, knitted articles, etc. They may be sent to Allied Post, Room 209, 1390 St. Catherine Street, W., Montreal, P.Q.

S.A. Deputy Premier Takes London Job

CAPETOWN (AP)—Col. Deaneys Reitz, Deputy Prime Minister of the Union of South Africa, has resigned from the cabinet and has been appointed to succeed S. F. Watson as South African high commissioner in London, it was announced today.

Watson has left the London post to join the cabinet as minister of commerce and industries, succeeding Richard Stuttaford. Stuttaford resigned, telling Prime Minister Smuts he should surround himself with younger men.

P. V. G. Van Der Byl, minister without portfolio, was named minister for native affairs.

Girls in Britain Man Guns and Boats, Says Maj. Robertson

Women of England are commanding naval boats and firing guns, said Major Stuart Robertson, E.D., Canadian Scottish Regiment, who is now in Victoria on leave with his family. On Nov. 11 Major Robertson was awarded the efficiency decoration for 20 years' meritorious service.

Wrens pilot and form the crew of many smaller boats attached to naval bases, he said. Girls of the A.T.S. (comparable to the C.W.A.C.) take part in mixed aircraft batteries, while W.A.A.F. personnel is used to replace men on the balloon barrage. They are always on the job, he said, providing refreshment for men returning from bomber flights. A recent innovation in the services is the joint mess for both men and women officers.



MAJOR STUART ROBERTSON ... Back from England.

British Tommies' pay was recently increased, due to considerable disturbance in the House of Commons, but Major Robertson said it is not yet up to the standard of Canadian and American rates of pay.

English Rationing

Speaking of the butter rationing this week, he explained that England's ration is exactly half that of Canada. One-quarter of a pound per week is allowed, but often it is substituted and margarine is substituted. The popular Canadian breakfast of a couple of eggs and half a dozen rashers of bacon would be a veritable banquet to Britishers. Bacon is cut to one or two rashers weekly, and eggs are very scarce. "You may have one a week if you can get it," Major Robertson smiled.

Oranges are strictly rationed, with children having preference. Half a crown a piece (about 60¢) is a common price for a single peach, although apples are cheaper since there was a good crop this year.

Everything is packed according to ration quantities, he said, citing tea, sugar and butter as examples.

Certain foodstuffs, prunes for instance, and tinned goods, are not rationed. They are under a system of "points" whereby the customer may buy as much as he wants, but must give up a certain number of his year's points.

TAKE IT ON THE CHIN

"Citizens really take it on the chin," the Canadian officer said with admiration. "Their food is rationed much more strictly than army and air force. Already when I left they were announcing no turkeys for civilians, only for troops. But there is one thing—on Christmas, Whiteside and other holidays, troops are prohibited from train travel to make way for civilian workers."

"This, of course, is in reverse of the tendency here, where civilians are encouraged to stay home to permit troops to travel."

"I have been asked frequently about the general feeling among the people of Britain."

"It is never out of their minds for a minute that the war will end in their favor, although they realize it will be a long and bitter struggle, as Churchill and other prominent speakers are continually reminding them. They are prepared for almost any sacrifice towards this end."

"In spite of the slackening of air raids, there has been no slack-

en in their effort, and no false impressions that victory will be an easy affair.

EVERYBODY HELPING

"Everybody is doing a job of national importance; everyone is, of course, registered by much the same sort of system that Canada is adopting. When men were called up for duty, women took their place. Now that women are needed, stores are running on skeleton staffs."

Citing as an example of this, Major Robertson said it takes at least three months to have a watch repaired.

"People over there are most kindhearted and generous," he said, "especially to Canadian troops, whom they treat as honor guests."

Major Robertson left Victoria in September, 1940, to join the staff of the Canadian Training School, where he was in the administration wing. This school trains officers and N.C.O.'s for field units. He declined to speak of his work there, but instead spoke of his sons, Keith and Donald. The latter is a King Scout and a lieutenant in the High School Cadets.

After spending Christmas leave with his wife and sons at 631 Harbinger, Major Robertson is due to report back for duty early in the New Year.

Lost Leg at Dieppe Now Farms in Ontario

SHEFFIELD, Ont. (CP)—Pte. Harry Wichtacz, 21-year-old winner of the Distinguished Conduct Medal who continued fighting at Dieppe after his leg was shot away, is home learning to be a farmer on his parents' farm near here, eight miles southeast of Sheffield.

Serving with the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry, he manned a Bren gun for eight hours on the embattled beach, his stump tied with a makeshift bandage.

Of all the Dieppe heroes, Harry said he believed Sgt. George Alfred Hickson of Kitchener, Ont., was the most outstanding. "He must have killed hundreds of Germans," he said. "He blew up the casino guard house by himself and I know he took a lot of pill-boxes out, too."

Award of the D.C.M. to Hickson was announced Tuesday.

Middle East Chief Inspects Cyprus

LONDON (CP)—Reuters News Agency reported today in a dispatch from Nicosia, Cyprus, that Gen. Sir Harold Alexander, commander of British forces in the Middle East, had paid a surprise visit to that eastern Mediterranean island by plane.

Gen. Alexander was said to have inspected the island's defenses from the air and then made a tour of military installations on foot.

He stressed the need for more men for the Cyprus regiment and civilian volunteer force.

(Date of the visit was not disclosed. It was presumed, however, that his presence at Cyprus was not revealed for security reasons until after his departure from the island.)

CWAGS Have Christmas Dinner



Left to right: Lilly Graham, Vivian Trimble, Dolores Moreau and Olive Hegre.

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RADIO

Tonight

5.00—News—KOL, CBR.
Don Winslow—KJR.
Three Bands—KOMO.
Music for Youth—CKWX.
Nelson Eddy—KIRO, KNX.
Music for a Nickel—KPO.
Carson Robinson—CJOR.
Musicprize—CJVI.
Can. Grenadier Guards—CBR at 5.45.

5.30—News—KOL, CBR.
Evening Amusements—KIRO.
Folk Music—KOMO.
Waltz Time—KPO.
Ready Mail—KOL.
Jamboree—CBR.
Jack Armstrong—KJR.
Louis Armstrong—CJVI.
Tasmanian—CKWX.
Rhythm—KIRO, KNX at 5.45.
By the Way—KOMO, KPO, 5.45.
Coca Brown—KIRO, KNX, 5.45.

6.00—News—CJVI.
String Orchestra—CBR.
Eddie Cantor—KOMO, KPO.
Hop Harrigan—KJR.
Louis Armstrong—CKWX.
Bob Burns—KIRO, KNX.
News—KOL at 6.15.

6.30—News—CKWX.
Concert Hall—CJOR.
Duke Ellington—KIRO, KPO.
Mayor at the Town—KIRO, KNX.
Washington and the War—KOL.
Midwest Melodians—CBR.
Jazz Dance—CJVI.
Spotlight—KIRO, KNX at 6.45.
Music Album—CKWX, 6.45.

7.00—News—CKWX.
John B. Hughes—KOL.
Kiss Kiss—KOMO, KPO.
Loraine—CJOR.
Music by Cugat—CJVI.
Great Music—KIRO, KNX.
Maynard—KIRO, KNX at 7.15.
The Hidden Enemy—CBR at 7.15.

7.30—Pacific Playhouse—CBR.
Lone Ranger—KOL.
Master Sergeant—CJVI.
Major Devin Report—KIRO.
Man Behind Gun—KJR.
Don Wilson—CJOR.
Tune for Tomorrow—CKWX.
Dollars for Scholars—CJOR, 7.45.

8.00—News—KJR.
BBC News—CBR.
Fred Waring—KPO, KOMO.
Eyes Afloat—KOL.
Fargo the Wonder Kid—KJR.
Amc. n. Andy—KIRO, KNX.
Rhythm—KIRO, KNX at 8.15.
Harry James—KIRO, KNX at 8.15.
News—CJOR at 8.15.

8.30—Tommy Dorsey—KOMO, KPO.
Easy Aces—CJOR.
The Charities—CBR.
Calling All Cars—CKWX.
Music—KOL.
D. Christmas—KIRO, KIRO.
Manhattan at Midnight—KJR.
Army Night—CJVI.
News—KIRO, KNX at 8.45.

9.00—News—KOL.
William Winter—KIRO, KNX.
Maiden—KIRO, KNX.
Dai Richards—CJOR.
The Christmas Story—KIRO.
Point Sublime—KOMO, KPO.
Academy Award—CKWX.

9.30—News—KJR.
John B. Hughes—KOL.
The New World—CBR.
Light and Mellow—KPO.
At the Movies—CJOR.
America—KIRO, KNX.
Treasury Star Parade—KIRO.
The Radio City—KIRO.
Highlight Hour—KOMO.
Street of Song—CKWX.
Pulton Lewis—KOL at 9.45.

10.00—News—KOMO, CKWX, KNX.
KPO, KIRO, KIRO.
Radio—KIRO, KNX.
Let's Dance—CJVI.
National Football—KJR.
Arizona Joe—KOL.
Elmore—KIRO, KNX at 10.15.
Cavaliers of Music—CKWX at 10.15.

10.30—Sports—KJR.
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Stand by America—KOMO.
Radio—KIRO, KNX.
Dance—KIRO, KPO.
Concert Hour—CJOR.
News—KIRO, KNX at 10.45.
House of Dreams—KIRO, 10.45.
News—KPO at 10.45.

11.00—News—KJR.
Reverend—KOMO.
Music—CBR, KIRO.
Folk Music—KOL.
Dance Time—KOL, KPO.
Anything Goes—CKWX.
News—CBR at 11.15.

11.30—Dance—KOMO.
Easy Listening—KIRO.
Friedrich—KOL.
Music—KJR, KIRO.
News for Alaska—KIRO 11.45.
News—KOMO, KPO, 11.45.
News—KJR, CJOR at 11.55.

12.00—News—KOL, KIRO, KOMO.
"G-O" Man—CJOR.
Music—KIRO, KIRO.
David Gilmore—KPO.
Christian Science—KJR.
Dawn Busters—CKWX.
News—KJR, 12.15; CJOR, 12.25.
Sam Hayes—KOMO, KPO, 1.45.

7.30—News—KIRO, KOL, CBR.
Dixie Joy—KIRO.
Organ—KOMO.
Lullaby—KIRO.
Gene and Glenn—KJR.
Musical Minutes—KIRO, 7.33.
News—KOMO at 7.45.
Sam Hayes—KOMO, KPO, 1.45.

8.00—News—CBR, CJOR, CKWX, CJVI.
Linkletter—KPO.
Averyman's Chapel—KJR.
Radio Play—KIRO, KNX.
Translators—KOMO.
Haven of Rest—KOL.
Band of the Morning—KNX.
News—KIRO, KOMO at 8.15.
Vamp Too Ready—CBR at 8.15.

8.30—News—KOL.
Kitty Foyle—KIRO, KNX.
Breakfast Club—KJR.
From the Family—CBR.
Victor Landwehr—KOMO.
Music—KPO.
Breakfast Club—CJOR.
Just About Time—CKWX.
News—CKWX at 8.45.

9.00—News—KJR, CBR.
The O'Neill—KOMO, KPO.
Boake Carter—KOL.
Midnight—CJVI.
Midnight—Variety—CKWX.
H. B. C. Choir—CJOR.
Kate Smith—KIR, KIRO.
News—CJOR at 9.15.
Big Sister—CBR, KIRO, KNX at 9.15.

9.30—News—CJOR.
Ted Steele—KOMO.
Lucy Larson—CBR.
Breakfast at Sardi's—KJR.
News and Music—KIRO.
Heen Trem—KIR, KIRO.
Betty and Bob—CKWX.
Lucy Larson—CJOR at 9.45.
Arizona Joe—KOL at 9.45.

10.00—News—KOL.
Morticia—KIR, CBR.
School Broadcast—KOMO.
Kiss Kiss—KIRO.
Capitals of Music—CKWX.
Lise Beautiful—KIR, KIRO.
Baudouin—KIR, KIRO.
Acty and Sue—CJVI.
Happy—KIRO, 10.15.
Carson—KIRO, KIRO, 10.15.

10.30—News—CJVI, KOL, KPO.
Harmony Highway—CJOR.
Vic and Sae—KIRO, KNX.
Great Melody—KJR.
News—CJOR at 10.45.
They Tell Me—CBR, CJVI, 10.45.

11.00—Music—CJVI.
Lullaby—KOMO, KPO.
The Song—KIRO.
Credie Foster—KOL.
Make Mine Music—CJVI.
Concert—CJVI—CKWX.
House in the Country—KJR.
Young Dr. Mallow—KIRO, KJR.
Relax—the Bookends—CBR at 11.15.

11.30—News—KJR.
Soldier's Wife—CJVI.
Chief—KIRO.
Love and Laughter—KIRO, KNX.

Tonight's Features

6.00—Bob Burns—KIRO, KNX.
6.00—Eddie Cantor—KOMO, KPO.
6.30—Mr. District Attorney—KOMO, KPO.
7.00—Kay Kyser—KOMO, KPO.
8.00—Eyes Afloat—KOL.
8.30—Tommy Dorsey—KOMO, KPO.
9.30—Treasury Star Parade—KIRO.

Guiding Light—KOMO, KPO.
V's and Sae—CJOR.
Studio Party—CJOR at 11.45.

12.00—News—KOL.
Mary Martin—KOMO, KPO.
B.C. Farm Broadcast—CBR.
The Bookends—CJVI.
Three R's—KJR.
Stars of the Week—CJOR.
Christmas Shopper—KIRO.
News—KIRO, KNX at 12.15.
Christmas Committee—KOL at 12.15.

12.30—News—CJOR, CJVI, CBR.
William Winter—KIRO, KNX.
Between the Bells—KJR.
Pepet Young—KOMO, KPO.
Music of the Week—CKWX.
High 40 Happiness—KOMO.
KPO at 12.45 at 1.15.

1.00—Backstage Wife—KOMO, KPO.
CBR Presents—CBR.
Galen Drake—KIRO, KNX.
CBS Melrose—KIRO.
Famous Voices—CJOR.
Walter Catlett—KOL.
Nick Lucas—CJVI.
Sue's Notebook—CJOR at 1.15.

1.30—News and Music—KOL.
Lorenzo Jones—KOMO, KPO.
Rhythm Classics—CJVI.
Chio Melrose—KJR, CBR.
School of the Air—KIRO.
Soldier's Wife—CJOR at 1.45.
News—KOL at 1.45.

2.00—Special Carols—KOL.
When a Girl Marries—KOMO, KPO.
Music—CBR.
Housewives—KIRO.
Folk Music—KOMO.
Melody Time—CJVI.
Penny—KIRO, KNX.
Brownie's Brevities—CJOR.
News—CJOR, 2.15.
William Winter—KIRO.

2.30—Music Lover's Corner—CJVI, CKWX.
Travel—KOL.
Newspaper Theatre—KOL.
Carl Hays—KIRO.
Malinee Melodians—CJOR.
School of the Air—CBR.
Singing—KIRO.
They Tell Me—CJOR at 2.45.

3.00—News—KJR.
Travel—KOL.
Random Notes—CJOR.
Art—KIRO.
Lone Journey—KPO.
Band of the Air—KIRO.
Helen—KIRO.
Against the Storm—KOMO, 3.15.

3.30—Carnation Bouquet—KIRO.
Against the Storm—KOMO.
Magic Chord—KOL.
Overseas Report—KOL.
Vic and Sae—KIRO.
Gospel Singer—KJR.
Singing—KIRO.
Tropical Music—CKWX.
Pepet Young—KIRO, KNX, 3.45.
News—CBR, KOL, 3.45.
News—KJR.

4.00—Pulton Lewis—KOL.
Cuban Quintette—CBR.
Carnation Bouquet—CKWX.
Novelty Jamboree—CKWX.
Hoffman's Singers—CJVI.
Duke Ellington—KIRO, KNX.
John Harcourt—CJOR.
Johnny Burke—KIRO at 4.15.
Two Flashes—CBR at 4.15.
Supernatural—KOL at 4.15.

4.30—White Cross—KOMO.
Righty—CKWX.
Hill Show—KOL.
Hit of the Week—CJVI.
Confidentially Yours—KOL.
Musical Jamboree—KOL.
Easy Aces—KIRO, KNX.
Kiss Kiss—KIRO.
News—CJOR at 4.45.

5.00—News—KOL.
D. O'Leary—CBR.
Orestes—KPO.
Musical Jewels—KOMO.
Folk Music—KIRO.
Jay Burnette—KJR.
News—KIRO, KNX at 5.15.
Carnegie—KIRO.
Songs of the West—CKWX.
Voice of Victory—CBR at 5.15.
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